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1 **[THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DID NOT MEET IN**
2 **CLOSED SESSION TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2009.]**

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER, PLEASE. I ASK
7 EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. THIS MORNING WE WILL BE LEAD IN OUR
8 INVOCATION BY THE REVEREND BERYL NYRE-THOMAS, ST. LUKE'S
9 EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN LONG BEACH, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF
10 ALLEGIANCE, JAMES NILE CREASY, VICE CHAIRMAN, THE AMERICAN
11 LEGION NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. REVEREND THOMAS.

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13 **REV. BERYL J. NYRE-THOMAS:** LET US PRAY. HOLY AND LOVING GOD,
14 YOU WHO ARE GOD OF ALL OUR MANY SACRED TRADITIONS, WE COME
15 BEFORE YOU THIS DAY TO ASK YOUR BLESSING ON ALL THOSE WHO ARE
16 GATHERED HERE, SUPERVISORS, LEADERS OF MANY INTERESTS AND
17 GROUPS IN THIS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THOSE WHO SERVE
18 FAITHFULLY, GIVING OF THEIR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE. THIS
19 EXTRAORDINARY COUNTY IS MADE UP OF MANY AND DIVERSE PEOPLES
20 FROM MANY BACKGROUNDS, COUNTRIES AND FAITH TRADITIONS. IT IS A
21 COUNTY THAT WELCOMES THOSE PEOPLE, CITIZENS, NEWCOMERS,
22 IMMIGRANTS HERE TO WORK, STUDY, PLAY AND VISIT. AND SO, MOST
23 HOLY GOD, WE NEED YOUR BLESSING UPON OUR LEADERS, THOSE WHO
24 MEET TODAY TO SERVE THIS COUNTY, TO KEEP IT SAFE, TO PROVIDE
25 WISE COUNSEL AND GOOD LAWS TO PROTECT AND TO GUIDE US ALL.



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1 TODAY WE GIVE YOU SPECIAL THANKS FOR THOSE RECEIVING HONORS,
2 PRAYING THAT THEY WILL CONTINUE IN THEIR GOOD AND NOBLE WORKS
3 IN THIS COUNTY. AND, WITH YOUR BLESSING, DEAR GOD, GRANT ALL
4 YOUR LEADERS AND SUPERVISORS HERE PRESENT WISDOM AND COURAGE.
5 GIVE THEM VISION TO CONTINUE TO MAKE THIS COUNTY A WELCOMING,
6 SAFE AND BEAUTIFUL PLACE FOR ALL YOUR PEOPLE. IT IS IN YOUR
7 HOLY NAME THAT WE ASK THESE THINGS. AMEN.

8

9 **JAMES NILE CREASY:** FACE THE FLAG AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND
10 OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE OF THE
11 FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S MY PLEASURE TO BE ABLE TO PRESENT A
14 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO REVEREND NYRE-THOMAS FOR GIVING
15 THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING. REVEREND NYRE-THOMAS IS CURRENTLY
16 ASSISTING AT ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN LONG BEACH. SHE
17 CAME TO THE UNITED STATES IN THE 1970S AND RECEIVED HER B.A.
18 AND M.A. FROM CAL STATE LONG BEACH. GO BEACH!

19

20 **REV. BERYL J. NYRE-THOMAS:** GO BEACH!

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SHE RECEIVED HER M.A. FROM THE CLAREMONT
23 SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND BECAME AN EPISCOPAL PRIEST IN 1986.
24 SHE'S BEEN INVOLVED WITH MANY CHURCHES HERE IN LOS ANGELES,
25 LONG BEACH, BEACH, GARDENA AND GARDEN GROVE. SHE'S ALSO BEEN



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1 THE CHAPLAIN FOR THE LONG BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE LAST
2 19 YEARS. SO WE'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF HER
3 VERY BUSY SCHEDULE TO JOIN US AND TO LEAD US IN THE
4 INVOCATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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6 **REV. BERYL J. NYRE-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE WERE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF
9 ALLEGIANCE TODAY BY JAMES NILE CREASY, WHO RESIDES IN
10 HOLLYWOOD, IN OUR DISTRICT. HE'S REPRESENTING THE AMERICAN
11 LEGION, NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, OF WHICH HE IS THE VICE
12 CHAIRMAN. COLONEL CREASY SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY FROM
13 1943 TO 46, AND FROM 1950 TO 1981, AND RETIRED AS A U.S. ARMY
14 COLONEL. HE SERVED IN WORLD WAR II AND IN THE KOREAN THEATER,
15 IN THE ASIATIC PACIFIC THEATER AND ALSO IN KOREA. AND HE
16 SERVED AS A CONTRACT AND PROCUREMENT OFFICER IN SAUDI ARABIA.
17 HIS DECORATIONS INCLUDE THE ARMY MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL,
18 THE GOOD CONDUCT METAL, THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL,
19 WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL, ARMY OF OCCUPATION MEDAL, ARMED
20 FORCES RESERVE MEDAL. HE ALSO HOLDS THE OFFICES OF -- HAS HELD
21 THE OFFICE OF PAST JUDGE ADVOCATE OF THE 24TH DISTRICT
22 AMERICAN LEGION, PAST POST 43 COMMANDER, PAST DISTRICT 24
23 COMMANDER, PAST DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA VICE COMMANDER OF THE
24 SIXTH AREA, AND MEMBER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA
25 LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION. SO YOU'VE BEEN A VERY BUSY MAN FOR OUR



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1 COUNTRY AND FOR THE AMERICAN LEGION. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR
2 SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, COLONEL, AND WE THANK YOU FOR LEADING
3 US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PROCEED WITH
6 THE AGENDA, PLEASE.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
9 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 2, PRESENTATIONS
10 AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM S-1, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT
11 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO NOVEMBER 3RD, 2009.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
16 HOUSING AUTHORITY. ON ITEM 1-H, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
17 HOUSING AUTHORITY RESUBMITTED HIS BOARD LETTER WHICH CONTAINS
18 ONLY EIGHT REVISIONS TO THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES INSTEAD OF
19 NINE REVISIONS. AND ALSO SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND A MEMBER
20 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM WILL BE HELD.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC HEARING, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5. ON ITEM
2 NO. 1, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
3 CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO NOVEMBER 24TH, 2009.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 3, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
8 AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORK REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
9 REFERRED BACK TO HER DEPARTMENT WITHOUT DISCUSSION.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 4, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
14 AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT ITEM BE
15 REFERRED BACK TO HER DEPARTMENT WITHOUT DISCUSSION.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEMS NO. 2 AND 5 WE WILL HOLD FOR THE
20 PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 6, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 6 THROUGH 8. THOSE ARE BEFORE YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED
24 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CONSENT CALENDAR. ITEMS 9 THROUGH 10. ON
2 ITEM NO. 10, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
3 HOLD THIS ITEM.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 9 IS BEFORE YOU.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM NO. 9, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
10 THOMAS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
11 SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 8, SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEMS 11
14 THROUGH 13, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLES IN FOR THE RECORD.
15 ON ITEM NO. 11 --

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME. ON ITEM NO. 10, DID WE NOT
18 HOLD THAT?

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE HELD THAT ITEM, YES, FOR A MEMBER OF THE
21 PUBLIC. ON ITEM NO. 11, THIS IS A TREASURER AND TAX
22 COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
23 EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT AND
24 RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE SALE OF THE COUNTY'S
25 PROPOSITION 1-A PROPERTY TAX RECEIVABLE FOR A PURCHASE PRICE



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1 EQUAL TO APPROXIMATELY \$310 MILLION WHICH WILL BE FINANCED
2 THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE
3 COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. AND THERE IS A REQUEST FROM
4 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 12, THIS IS THE TREASURER AND
9 TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF
10 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT TO ADOPT
11 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A
12 PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH RESPECT
13 TO THE SALE OF THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT PROPOSITION 1-A,
14 PROPERTY TAX RECEIVABLE FOR A PURCHASE PRICE EQUAL TO
15 APPROXIMATELY \$8 MILLION, WHICH WILL BE FINANCED THROUGH THE
16 ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES
17 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. THERE IS ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
18 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ITEM NO. 13, THIS IS THE TREASURER AND
23 TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF
24 THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES
25 COUNTY TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND



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1 DELIVERY OF A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT AND RELATED
2 DOCUMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE FIRE DISTRICT'S PROPOSITION 1-A
3 PROPERTY TAX RECEIVABLE FOR A PURCHASE PRICE EQUAL TO
4 APPROXIMATELY \$45 MILLION WHICH WILL BE FINANCED THROUGH THE
5 ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES
6 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. AND THERE IS ALSO A REQUEST FROM A
7 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THAT ITEM.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS NO. 14 THROUGH 17.
12 ON ITEM NO. 14, WE WILL HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION. ON ITEM NO. 15,
13 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
14 SOCIAL SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED THREE
15 WEEKS TO NOVEMBER 17TH, 2009.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ITEM IS THAT?

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 15 WILL BE CONTINUED TO NOVEMBER
20 17TH. SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 16, WE WILL HOLD FOR A
23 DISCUSSION. ON ITEM NO. 17, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA,
24 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE



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1 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO NOVEMBER 3RD, 2009. THERE IS ALSO A
2 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHO'S HOLDING THE ITEM? DR. CLAVREUL, DO
5 YOU STILL WANT TO SPEAK TO IT? ALL THE ITEMS YOU HELD ARE
6 GOING TO BE CONTINUED A WEEK. OKAY. SO 18, 19 AND 20.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT'S CORRECT. ON PAGE 10, THE FISCAL YEAR
9 2009-10 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION AGENDA, ITEMS 18
10 THROUGH 20, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THE CHIEF
11 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE CONTINUED ONE
12 WEEK TO NOVEMBER 3RD, 2009. BUT THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A
13 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 10, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE
18 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS
19 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 21-A?

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE
22 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON NO. 21-B, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
25 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 13, NOTICE OF CLOSED SESSION. ON
5 ITEM CS-1, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
6 ONE WEEK TO NOVEMBER 3RD, 2009.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
11 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
12 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE HAVE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION
15 THIS MORNING. WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME ONE OF OUR NEW MEMBERS
16 OF OUR CONSUL CORPS. WITH US, WE ARE WELCOMING THE HONORABLE
17 DAME BARBARA LOGAN HAY, NEW CONSUL GENERAL OF GREAT BRITAIN,
18 HERE IN LOS ANGELES. SHE IS, AS I SAID, THE NEWLY-ARRIVED
19 CONSUL GENERAL HERE IN LOS ANGELES. SHE JOINED THE BRITISH
20 DIPLOMATIC SERVICE IN 1971 AND HAS HAD A VERY DISTINGUISHED
21 CAREER. MUCH OF HER OVERSEAS SERVICE WAS IN THE FORMER SOVIET
22 UNION, FIRST IN MOSCOW. LATER, SHE SINGLE-HANDEDLY OPENED A
23 NEW BRITISH CONSULATE GENERAL IN ST. PETERSBURG, IMMEDIATELY
24 FOLLOWING THE FAILED COUP AGAINST GORBACHEV IN AUGUST OF 1991
25 WHEN BORIS YELTSIN TOOK OVER AS PRESIDENT OF RUSSIA. FROM 1995



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1 TO 1999, SHE WAS A BRITISH AMBASSADOR. AND DURING HER CAREER,
2 SHE ALSO WORKED IN SOUTH AFRICA AND CANADA AND THE FOREIGN AND
3 COMMONWEALTH OFFICE IN LONDON. HER MOST RECENT POST PRIOR TO
4 COMING TO LOS ANGELES WAS CONSUL GENERAL IN ISTANBUL. ALL
5 RIGHT. NOW YOU'RE IN LOS ANGELES. WHERE SHE LED THE REBUILDING
6 OF THE POST FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF UNFORTUNATELY OF 12
7 COLLEAGUES AND THE INJURING OF MANY OTHERS IN THAT TERRORIST
8 ATTACK IN NOVEMBER OF 2003. SHE IS HERE TODAY ACCOMPANIED BY
9 DEPUTY CONSUL GENERAL, DAVID WILD, AND JOHN HARRISON, HEAD OF
10 THE POLITICAL PRESS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS IN THE CONSULATE. ON
11 BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES AND THE 10 MILLION PLUS RESIDENTS OF
12 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WE'D LIKE TO OFFICIALLY WELCOME YOU AND
13 THANK YOU FOR THE WARM AND FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR
14 COUNTY, OUR STATE AND OUR NATION AND YOUR NATION. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **HONORABLE DAME BARBARA LOGAN HAY:** THANK YOU. MR. CHAIRMAN,
17 FELLOW SUPERVISORS, GOOD MORNING. IT'S WONDERFUL TO BE HERE.
18 AS A FORMER AMBASSADOR, THIS FEELS VERY MUCH LIKE PRESENTING
19 CREDENTIALS TO THE PRESIDENT OF A REPUBLIC. AND IT GIVES ME
20 HUGE HONOR TO BE WITH YOU ALL THIS MORNING TO INTRODUCE MYSELF
21 TO YOU IN THE SAME WAY I'VE DONE ELSEWHERE IN THE WORLD. IT'S
22 A GREAT THRILL TO BE IN LOS ANGELES, LISTENING TO THE RESUME
23 OF MY CAREER. LIKE THE CHAIRMAN, I CAN'T QUITE BELIEVE THAT
24 I'M NOW ON THE WEST COAST AND IN CALIFORNIA. IT'S SUCH A HUGE
25 CONTRAST FROM OTHER THINGS THAT I'VE DONE IN MY CAREER. BUT



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1 WHAT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO ME PROFESSIONALLY, AS A BRITISH
2 DIPLOMAT, IS TO COME TO A COUNTRY WITH WHICH MY OWN HAS SUCH
3 STRONG AND CLOSE TIES. I JOIN A REALLY LONG AND DISTINGUISHED
4 GROUP OF PREDECESSORS. I THINK THERE WAS FIRST BRITISH A
5 CONSULATE HERE IN LOS ANGELES AS LONG AGO AS 1883. AND THAT, I
6 THINK, DEMONSTRATES THE STRENGTH, THE CLOSENESS, THE DEPTH,
7 THE LENGTH OF OUR COOPERATION AND OUR RELATIONSHIP. AND OF
8 COURSE, THAT GOES THROUGH UP TILL THE PRESENT DAY, BOTH HERE
9 IN LOS ANGELES AND WIDER AFIELD NATIONALLY, AS YOU RELATED.
10 AND AS WE APPROACH VETERAN'S DAY AND FOR US REMEMBRANCE DAY IN
11 THE U.K. AND IN THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH, I THINK WE REMEMBER
12 PARTICULARLY AND PAY TRIBUTE TO OUR MILITARY COLLEAGUES WHO
13 ARE SERVING JOINTLY IN SOME OF THE WORLD'S MOST DIFFICULT
14 PLACES, ESPECIALLY AT THE MOMENT IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN. OUR
15 JOB HERE, OF COURSE, IS TO CEMENT RELATIONSHIPS WITH ALL OF
16 YOU. I THINK YOU KNOW BETTER EVEN THAN I DO HOW MANY BRITS ARE
17 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. WE'RE IN EVERY
18 SINGLE WALK OF LIFE. YOU WILL NOTICE US PARTICULARLY OF COURSE
19 IN THE ENTERTAINMENT AND FILM INDUSTRY. BUT WE'RE IN BUSINESS,
20 THE LAW, ACADEMIA, EDUCATION. ANYTHING THAT YOU CAN NAME, YOU
21 WILL FIND SOMEONE FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM THERE. WE'RE
22 PARTICULARLY PROUD AND VERY ENERGETICALLY PURSUING,
23 PARTICULARLY NOW IN THIS ECONOMIC GLOBAL DOWNTURN, THE TRADE
24 AND INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES THAT OUR COUNTRIES SHARE. WE'VE A
25 LOT OF BRITISH BUSINESSES HERE INVESTING, HUGE COMPANIES, ALL



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1 IN THE FTSE 500. AND OF COURSE IN THE OTHER DIRECTION, OUR AIM
2 IS TO GET AS MANY OF YOUR COMPANIES AS WE CAN TO INVEST IN THE
3 UNITED KINGDOM. BRITAIN IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS. WE'RE OPEN FOR
4 PARTNERSHIP. WE'RE YOUR LARGEST INVESTOR IN THIS PART OF THE
5 WORLD, AND WE'RE INTENDING TO KEEP IT THAT WAY. WE'RE
6 INTENDING TO CONTINUE OUR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS
7 WITH OUR UNIVERSITIES. WE'RE INTENDING TO OPEN OUR DOORS AND
8 MAKE SURE THAT THE UNITED KINGDOM IN LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES
9 COUNTY, IS YOUR PARTNER FOR CHOICE. AND IN THAT TIME,
10 ENORMOUSLY WELL SERVED BY A SUPER TEAM AT THE CONSULATE, I PAY
11 TRIBUTE TO THEM HERE THIS MORNING. AND I WANT YOU ALL TO KNOW
12 THAT OUR DOORS ARE ALWAYS OPEN TO YOU AND WE LOOK FORWARD VERY
13 MUCH TO CONTINUING THE VERY WARM, HAPPY, FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP
14 THAT MY PREDECESSORS HAVE HAD WITH YOU. IT'S GOING TO BE A
15 GREAT POSTING. THANK YOU VERY MUCH INDEED. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'RE GOING TO -- SUPERVISOR
18 ANTONOVICH? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU HAVE A PRESENTATION WE
19 NEED TO TAKE OUT OF ORDER, PLEASE?

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, IT'S A PLEASURE TO
22 BRING ONE OF THE GREAT ICONS IN OUR NATION BEFORE US TODAY
23 WHO'S 95 YEARS OLD. AND THIS IS AN ICON THAT MANY OF YOU HAVE
24 SEEN AND CONTINUE TO SEE ON TELEVISION, AND THAT'S JACK
25 LALANNE AND WITH HIS WIFE ELAINE. JACK HAS FALLEN DOWN AND



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1 HURT HIS BACK A LITTLE BIT, SO HE'S A LITTLE SLOW THIS
2 MORNING. [APPLAUSE.] JACK HAS GAINED RECOGNITION FOR HIS
3 SUCCESS AS A BODY BUILDER AND FOR HIS INCREDIBLE AND
4 PRESTIGIOUS ACTS OF STRENGTH AND ENDURANCE. AND THROUGHOUT HIS
5 CAREER HE'S WON NUMEROUS AWARDS, INCLUDING THE HORATIO ALGER
6 AWARD FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF DISTINGUISHED AMERICANS, AND HAS
7 A STAR ON THE HOLLYWOOD WALK OF FAME. BORN IN 1914 IN SAN
8 FRANCISCO, AND ADMITTEDLY DURING HIS CHILDHOOD DAYS, HE WAS
9 ADDICTED TO SUGAR AND JUNK FOODS. AT AGE 15, HE HEARD THE
10 NUTRITIONIST, PAUL BRAGG, SPEAK ON HEALTH AND NUTRITION, WHICH
11 HAD A VERY POWERFUL INFLUENCE ON HIS LIFE. AND IT MOTIVATED
12 JACK TO FOCUS ON HEALTHY FOODS, WHOLE FOODS, AND EXERCISING.
13 TRULY A PIONEER, BECAUSE HE STUDIED HENRY GRAY'S ANATOMY OF
14 THE HUMAN BODY AND CONCENTRATED ON BODY BUILDING,
15 WEIGHTLIFTING, SOMETHING VIRTUALLY UNHEARD OF IN THE 1930S. IN
16 1936, HE OPENED HIS OWN HEALTH SPA IN OAKLAND, DEDICATED HIS
17 LIFE TO ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO BETTER THEMSELVES THROUGH
18 EXERCISE AND FITNESS. HE DESIGNED THE WORLD'S FIRST LEG
19 EXTENSION MACHINES, PULLEY MACHINES USING CABLES, WEIGHT
20 SELECTORS, NOW A STANDARD IN THE FITNESS INDUSTRY. BREAKING
21 THE GENDER BARRIER, HE WAS THE FIRST TO ENCOURAGE WOMEN TO
22 LIFT WEIGHTS, CONTRARY TO THE POPULAR BELIEF AT THE TIME,
23 WHICH IS THAT WEIGHTS MADE WOMEN MASCULINE AND UNATTRACTIVE.
24 BY THE 1980S, MORE THAN 200 JACK LALANNE HEALTH CLUBS WERE
25 SOLD TO THE BALLY COMPANY, WHICH LATER BECAME BALLY TOTAL



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1 FITNESS. "THE JACK LALANNE SHOW," WHICH WAS THE LONGEST
2 RUNNING HEALTH AND FITNESS SHOW IN HISTORY, AIRING FROM 1951
3 TO 1985. THE SHOW BEGAN AS A LOCAL PROGRAM ON SAN FRANCISCO'S
4 A.B.C. TELEVISION, K.G.O., AND WAS EVENTUALLY SYNDICATED ON
5 THE A.B.C. NETWORK THROUGHOUT THE U.S.A. AND CANADA. AND
6 LOCALLY, WE HAD HIM ON K.T.L.A. AND K.T.T.V. CRITICS SAID THE
7 SHOW WOULD BE OFF THE AIR IN SIX WEEKS, BUT IT LASTED 34
8 YEARS. IN ADDITION TO HIS SHOW, JACK HAS PUBLISHED NUMEROUS
9 BOOKS, CREATED COUNTLESS HEALTH AND FITNESS VIDEOS, APPEARED
10 IN MOTION PICTURES, MARKETED HEALTH AND EXERCISE EQUIPMENT AND
11 VITAMIN SUPPLEMENTS, AND EVEN RECORDED SONGS WITH CONNIE
12 FRANCIS. AND NOW, WE ALL KNOW THE IMPORTANCE OF JUICING, AND
13 HIS JUICER HAS SOLD OVER A MILLION?

14

15 **JACK LALANNE:** ABOUT A MILLION.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** A MILLION. AND IT HAS A LARGE OPENING SO YOU
18 CAN PUT THE WHOLE CARROT OR THE WHOLE CUCUMBER, AND YOU DON'T
19 HAVE TO SLICE IT TO PUT IN. AND AT THE AGE OF 95, HE CONTINUES
20 TO WORK OUT EVERY MORNING FOR TWO HOURS, SPENDING 1-1/2 HOURS
21 IN THE WEIGHT ROOM AND 1/2 HOUR SWIMMING. BUT HE'S ABLE TO DO
22 THIS BECAUSE HE HAS A GREAT PARTNER, A GREAT WIFE, AND THAT'S
23 ELAINE, WHO'S THE REAL STRENGTH OF THE FAMILY. [APPLAUSE.] SO,
24 JACK, AND JACK'S SON IS WITH US TODAY, AS WELL. WE WANT TO
25 CONGRATULATE YOU. THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, JACK



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1 LALANNE DAY, SO FOR THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING, TIME TO START YOUR
2 CARROT JUICE AND CELERY JUICE AND GET IN SHAPE, RIGHT?

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4 **JACK LALANNE:** RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **JACK LALANNE:** WHAT COULD I SAY? I'M SPEECHLESS. GOOD NIGHT.
7 [LAUGHTER.] FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY ATHLETIC HEART, FROM THE
8 BOTTOM OF MY BOTTOM, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS PRESTIGIOUS
9 AWARD, FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. YOU KNOW, I JUST CAN'T
10 TELL YOU. I RECEIVED SO MANY, MANY AWARDS. BUT THIS MEANS SO
11 MUCH TO ME THAT YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE. YOU KNOW, I STARTED MY
12 FIRST BIG NATIONAL WIDE TELEVISION SHOW DOWN IN THE LOS
13 ANGELES AREA. AND THAT STARTED EVERYTHING OFF. ANYWAY, FROM
14 THE BOTTOM OF MY LITTLE BOTTOM, AS I SAID, I WANT TO THANK
15 YOU. I HAVE A LITTLE STORY. [LAUGHTER.] THERE IS THIS GUY
16 JENNY AND HENRY. YOU KNOW THEY BOTH LOST THEIR RESPECTIVE
17 SPOUSES. AND HENRY BEING VERY WEALTHY, HE TOOK JENNY ALL OVER
18 THE WORLD. LIMOUSINES, YOU KNOW, DRIVERS. THE MONEY WAS NO
19 OBJECT. AT THE END OF A YEAR, LITTLE JENNY BECAME SICK, ILL.
20 AND THIS DESTROYED HENRY. HE TOOK HER TO MAYO CLINIC, THE
21 GREATEST CLINIC IN THE WORLD, FOR A CHECKUP. SHE WAS THERE FOR
22 FIVE DAYS. AT THE END OF THE FIFTH DAY, THE DOCTORS CAME,
23 "JENNY, WE HAVE FOUND OUT YOUR PROBLEM." "OH, DOCTOR, WHAT'S
24 MY PROBLEM? I CAN'T HAVE ANY FUN WITH HENRY ANYMORE, I'M SICK
25 ALL THE TIME." "YOU KNOW WHAT YOUR PROBLEM IS? YOU'RE



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1 PREGNANT." "PREGNANT? THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE. I'M 90 YEARS OLD.
2 HENRY'S 91." "LISTEN, LADY, WE ARE MAYO CLINIC. WE NEVER MAKE
3 A MISTAKE. YOU ARE PREGNANT." SHE SAID "DOCTOR, MAY I BORROW
4 YOUR PHONE?" SHE GETS ON THE PHONE. "HELLO, HENRY? YOU DIRTY
5 OLD MAN, YOU GOT ME PREGNANT." AND THERE'S SILENCE ON THE
6 PHONE FOR ABOUT THREE OR FOUR MINUTES. AND FINALLY HE SAYS
7 "WHO IS THIS?" [LAUGHTER.] ANYTHING IN LIFE IS POSSIBLE AND
8 THAT'S WHAT I FEEL ABOUT GETTING THIS PRESTIGIOUS AWARD. AND
9 ALL OF YOU IN THIS ROOM, THE WONDERFUL WORK YOU'RE DOING FOR
10 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND SETTING GOOD EXAMPLES FOR PEOPLE.
11 GOD BLESS YOU. I LOVE YOU. AND AGAIN FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY
12 ATHLETIC HEART, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] THIS IS MY LOVELY WIFE
13 ELAINE. WE HAVE BEEN TOGETHER 56 YEARS, MARRIED 50 YEARS. AND
14 I WANT TO THANK HER AGAIN FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY BOTTOM FOR
15 STICKING WITH ME. AND WHAT LITTLE SUCCESS I'VE HAD, I OWE SO
16 MUCH OF IT TO ELAINE. ELAINE, YOU ARE NO PAIN.

17

18 **ELAINE LALANNE:** OKAY. YOU KNOW WHAT? I JUST WANT TO GIVE --
19 JACK HAD HIS 95TH BIRTHDAY. YOU DIDN'T MENTION, TOO, THAT HE
20 WAS A CHIROPRACTOR, DID YOU KNOW THAT? YEAH. BUT, ANYWAY, WE
21 HAVE A BOOK FOR -- HE JUST CAME OUT WITH THIS BOOK, LIVE YOUNG
22 FOREVER. IT JUST CAME OUT ON HIS 95TH BIRTHDAY. AND WE WANT TO
23 GIVE ONE TO EACH ONE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SO WE'RE
24 LEAVING THIS FOR YOU TO GIVE TO THEM. AND THEN ALSO, EACH ONE
25 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, YOU MENTIONED JUICERS. SO WE



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1 BROUGHT FIVE JUICERS FOR THEM. WELL, WE WANT TO KEEP THE BOARD
2 OF SUPERVISORS HEALTHY. AND THIS IS OUR SON, DAN, AND OUR SON
3 JOHN ALLEN LALANNE. OKAY? THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU.

4

5 **JACK LALANNE:** DON'T FORGET YOUR WORKOUTS. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHAT'S GOING ON IN HERE? RESTRAIN
8 YOURSELVES.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** 95!

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WOW, THAT'S PRETTY GOOD. I'M
13 LOOKING FORWARD TO MY JUICER! [LAUGHTER.] ALL RIGHT. WOW, 95.
14 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE THERE, MR. JACK LALANNE. [APPLAUSE.] SO
15 I APOLOGIZE TO OUR NEXT HONOREE JUDY MITCHELL, THE OUTGOING
16 PRESIDENT AT THE CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF CITIES. I DON'T KNOW
17 WHAT SHE'S GOING TO DO TO FOLLOW-UP. SHE SAID SOMETHING ABOUT
18 GIVING US EACH A GEORGE FOREMAN OVEN, BUT I DON'T KNOW ABOUT
19 THAT. [LAUGHTER.] ANYWAY, JUDY, COME ON UP. AS I MENTIONED,
20 MAYOR JUDY MITCHELL, THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES.
21 JOINING HER TODAY ARE HER COLLEAGUES, JOHN ADDLEMAN, MAYOR
22 PRO-TEM, FRANK ZERUNYAN, COUNCIL MEMBER, STEVE ZUCKERMAN, AND
23 SUZIE SEAMANS. WE HAVE CHRIS MCKENZIE, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
24 OF THE LEAGUE, OWEN NEWCOMER, MAYOR OF WHITTIER, AND PRESIDENT
25 OF THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES, L.A. COUNTY DIVISION. DID



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1 I GET EVERYBODY? I GOT EVERYBODY. VERY GOOD. MAYOR MITCHELL
2 WAS FIRST ELECTED TO THE ROLLING HILLS CITY COUNCIL IN 1999.
3 SHE SERVED AS MAYOR IN 2004 AND IS NOW SERVING HER SECOND TERM
4 AS MAYOR. IN SEPTEMBER 2009, SHE COMPLETED HER TERM AS
5 PRESIDENT OF THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES. IT'S A STATEWIDE
6 ORGANIZATION THAT REPRESENTS 480 CITIES OF THE STATE. BEFORE
7 BEING ELECTED PRESIDENT, SHE CHAIRED SEVERAL LEAGUE POLICY
8 COMMITTEES AND TASKFORCES. I WOULD ALSO ADD PROBABLY YOU WERE
9 PRESIDENT DURING ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT YEARS IN THE
10 HISTORY OF OUR GREAT STATE. MAYOR MITCHELL ASSUMED THE
11 PRESIDENCY OF THE LEAGUE DURING A PARTICULARLY CHALLENGING
12 ECONOMIC PERIOD, AS I MENTIONED, FOR ALL OF US, CITIES AND
13 COUNTIES. SHE PASSIONATELY ADVOCATED FOR LARGE AND SMALL CITY
14 INTERESTS IN NUMEROUS MEETINGS IN SACRAMENTO AND WASHINGTON.
15 HER EFFORTS ENERGIZED MAYORS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS FROM
16 THROUGHOUT THE STATE TO PUBLICIZE THE STATE BUDGET ISSUES WITH
17 THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND TO LOBBY LEGISLATIVE LEADERS TO NOT
18 BALANCE THE STATE BUDGET ON THE BACKS OF CITIES AND COUNTIES.
19 BOY, THAT HAS A FAMILIAR RING TO IT, DOESN'T IT? SO ON BEHALF
20 OF THE BOARD, I'M HERE TO JUST THANK JUDY FOR HER SERVICE.
21 SHE'S' GOT HER COLLEAGUES HERE WITH HER. ALSO, THERE'S OTHER
22 FRIENDS AND OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS OUT THERE. I'M GOING TO
23 ASK THEM ALL TO STAND UP THAT ARE HERE FOR JUDY. PLEASE STAND
24 UP. LET'S GIVE THEM ALL A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]
25 FORMER LAW PARTNERS, CONTRACT CITIES, HER COLLEAGUE IS A PAST



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1 PRESIDENT OF CONTRACT CITIES AS WELL TOO, FRANK. JUDY, WE'D
2 WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT TO YOU ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY
3 COLLEAGUES AND THE 10 MILLION PLUS RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES
4 COUNTY TO THANK YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE. IT WAS A VERY
5 DIFFICULT YEAR, I KNOW. AND FOR ALL OF US. AND SO WE JUST WANT
6 TO SAY THANKS IN SOME SMALL WAY. GOD BLESS YOU.

7

8 **JUDY MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **JUDY MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DON, AND MEMBERS OF THE
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I HAVE TO SAY THAT IT WAS A TREMENDOUS
12 PLEASURE AND HONOR TO SERVE AS PRESIDENT OF THE LEAGUE OF
13 CALIFORNIA CITIES LAST YEAR. THE LEAGUE WAS ACTUALLY
14 ESTABLISHED IN 1898. IT'S 111 YEARS OLD, SO IT'S BEEN AROUND
15 QUITE A WHILE. AND THE PURPOSE -- NOT AS LONG AS JACK LALANNE.
16 BUT IT IS AN ORGANIZATION THAT'S PURPOSE IS TO ADVOCATE FOR
17 CITIES AND ALSO TO EDUCATE CITY OFFICIALS. WE DID HAVE, AS DON
18 SAID, AN AMAZING YEAR LAST YEAR. I TOOK OFFICE IN NOVEMBER.
19 AND THAT WAS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ECONOMIC CRISIS. THE STOCK
20 MARKET HAD CRASHED. AND WE SAW OUR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
21 THREATENED. AND AT THE SAME TIME, WE IN CITIES AND COUNTIES
22 WERE FACING BUDGET DEFICITS AND LARGE REDUCTIONS IN OUR OWN
23 REVENUE STREAMS. SO ABOUT THAT SAME TIME, WE HEARD FROM THE
24 STATE THAT THEY WERE HAVING PROBLEMS WITH THEIR BUDGET. THEY
25 FACED \$26 BILLION BUDGET DEFICIT. AND SOON AFTER, THAT



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1 BALLOONED TO 42 BILLION. AND IN MAY, THE STATE ANNOUNCED THAT
2 THEY WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THE LOCAL MONIES. SO IN COLLABORATION
3 WITH THE COUNTIES, AND WE THANK THE COUNTIES FOR THEIR HELP IN
4 THIS, WE LAUNCHED A MAJOR CAMPAIGN TO SAVE OUR LOCAL REVENUES.
5 WE MANAGED TO PREVENT THE STATE FROM TAKING OUR HIGHWAY USERS
6 TAX ACCOUNT MONEY. BUT THEY DID BORROW 1.9 BILLION OF PROPERTY
7 TAX, WHICH WE HAVE SUBSEQUENTLY MITIGATED FOR OUR OWN EASE BY
8 SECURITIZING THAT AMOUNT. AND I WANT TO AT THIS TIME TAKE THIS
9 OCCASION TO THANK THE COUNTIES. THE COUNTIES HAVE WORKED IN
10 COLLABORATION WITH CITIES FOR THE PAST NUMBER OF YEARS TO
11 PROTECT OUR LOCAL REVENUES. AND LAST YEAR WAS NO EXCEPTION. I
12 KNOW ZEV AND MIKE WERE AT THE PRESS CONFERENCES WITH US RIGHT
13 OUT HERE ON THE STEPS WHEN WE WERE ADVERTISING AND GETTING
14 PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR OUR POSITION TO SAVE OUR LOCAL MONIES. SO I
15 WANT TO THANK THE COUNTIES FOR THAT. WE ALSO HAVE TO RECOGNIZE
16 THAT THE THREATS TO LOCAL REVENUES AREN'T OVER. WE WILL
17 CONTINUE TO FACE THOSE THREATS. SO WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING
18 WITH THE COUNTIES ACROSS THE STATE IN THE NEXT YEARS TO
19 PROVIDE FURTHER PROTECTIONS FOR LOCAL MONIES. BEHIND ME ARE MY
20 CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS. AND I COULDN'T HAVE DONE THIS JOB
21 WITHOUT THEIR SUPPORT. THEY STEPPED UP TO THE PLATE WHEN I HAD
22 TO BE OUT OF TOWN. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE FRANK ZERUNYAN,
23 COUNCIL MEMBER. AND FRANK IS THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT OF
24 CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION. SO MY CITY HAD THE VERY DISTINCT
25 AND UNUSUAL PLEASURE OF BEING THE CITY WITH A PRESIDENT OF THE



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1 CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION AND A PRESIDENT OF THE LEAGUE OF
2 CALIFORNIA CITIES AT THE SAME TIME. I DON'T THINK THAT'S EVER
3 HAPPENED IN PROBABLY THE HISTORY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.
4 SO FRANK WAS RIGHT THERE WITH US AND CONTRACT CITIES
5 ASSOCIATION WAS ALSO RIGHT THERE WITH US IN OUR BATTLES. MY
6 COLLEAGUE, SUSAN SEAMANS, ON OUR COUNCIL. JOHN ADDLEMAN IS
7 BEHIND ME. JOHN. STEVE ZUCKERMAN HERE. AND NOW WE HAVE OWEN
8 NEWCOMER, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES DIVISION OF
9 THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES. AND THEN TO MY RIGHT IS CHRIS
10 MCKENZIE. CHRIS IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LEAGUE OF
11 CALIFORNIA CITIES. AND HE HAS BEEN SUCH A CATALYST FOR OUR
12 ORGANIZATION IN MOVING FORWARD TO PROTECT LOCAL REVENUES. IT
13 WAS UNDER CHRIS'S DIRECTION THAT WE LAUNCHED CAMPAIGNS IN 2004
14 TO PROTECT OUR PROPERTY TAXES WITH THE PROP 1-A BALLOT
15 INITIATIVE. IN 2006, WE MOVED FORWARD WITH PROP 1-A AGAIN TO
16 PROTECT OUR GAS TAX MONEY. AND THEN THE LAST TWO BALLOT
17 INITIATIVES WERE TO PROTECT OUR EMINENT DOMAIN RIGHTS. SO
18 CHRIS HAS BEEN A REAL LEADER IN OUR ORGANIZATION. AND WE ARE
19 DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE TO CHRIS AND TO THE ENTIRE LEAGUE STAFF. I
20 WANT TO RECOGNIZE TERESA ACOSTA, WHO HAS BEEN MY REGIONAL
21 REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE LEAGUE AND SERVED AS KIND OF MY RIGHT-
22 HAND WOMAN LAST YEAR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, TERESA, FOR ALL
23 YOUR HELP, AS WELL. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR RECOGNIZING ME,
24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND DON, I APPRECIATE THAT. AND I LOOK



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1 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU IN THE NEXT YEARS ON
2 PROTECTING OUR LOCAL MONIES. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT IT'S MY PLEASURE TO CALL UP A
5 LONG-TIME DEAR FRIEND, LAURINE BARBER. OUR COUNTY HAS TRULY
6 BEEN BLESSED OVER THE YEARS WITH A HISTORY OF TOP QUALITY
7 VOLUNTEERS AND COMMISSIONER. IF THERE WAS A HALL OF FAME FOR
8 THIS, LAURINE BARBER WOULD BE AN ABSOLUTE MEMBER OF THIS HALL
9 OF FAME IN THE VERY FIRST ROUND, GETTING ALL THE VOTES SHE
10 WOULD EVER NEED. FOR OVER 20 YEARS, LAURINE HAS LENT HER
11 STRONG VOICE AND NEVER ENDING SPIRIT TO THE CAUSE OF HELPING
12 THE POOR, MENTALLY ILL, THE SUBSTANCE-ADDICTED INDIVIDUALS.
13 SHE'S HELD KEY LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN THE MENTAL HEALTH
14 SERVICES ACT STAKEHOLDERS' DELEGATES COMMITTEE, THE CHILDREN'S
15 PLANNING COUNCIL STEERING COMMITTEE, SERVICE AREA SPA 8'S
16 PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION STEERING COMMITTEE AND THE
17 OLDER ADULTS TASKFORCE. AND THAT'S JUST A PARTIAL LIST OF WHAT
18 SHE'S DONE FOR THIS GREAT COUNTY AND OUR CITIZENS OVER THE
19 LAST 20 PLUS YEARS. SHE RECENTLY RETIRED AS MY LONGTIME
20 REPRESENTATIVE ON THE NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS
21 COMMISSION, WHERE HER EFFORTS IN ADVOCACY HELPED ALL AGE
22 GROUPS IN UNDERSERVED CULTURAL POPULATIONS RECEIVED THE MENTAL
23 HEALTH AND CO-OCCURRING SERVICES THAT THEY SO DESERVE. USING
24 THIS BEAUTIFUL SMILE THAT SHE HAS, HER INTELLIGENCE, HER WIT,
25 SHE HAS TOUCHED THE LIVES OF THOUSANDS OF INDIVIDUALS. AND TO



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1 HAVE BEEN SUCH AN IMPORTANT PART ON THE EFFORTS OF GREAT
2 CITIZENS OF THIS COUNTY, THOSE THAT TRULY NEEDED HELP AND
3 SERVICE. AND SO ON BEHALF OF A VERY GRATEFUL BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS, AND A GRATEFUL 10 MILLION PLUS RESIDENTS OF THIS
5 GREAT COUNTY, WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY, MANY YEARS
6 OF SERVICE AND THANK YOU FOR ALL THE THOUSANDS OF LIVES THAT
7 YOU HAVE TRULY MADE A DIFFERENCE IN. GOD BLESS.

8

9 **LAURINE BARBER:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **LAURINE BARBER:** IT'S BECAUSE OF THE WONDERFUL BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS AND STAFF IN ALL THE DEPARTMENTS THAT I'VE BEEN
13 HERE SINCE 1981 AND WORKING WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
14 AND THEY HAVE BEEN FANTASTIC. THE COMMUNITY HAS BEEN
15 FANTASTIC. AND THAT'S WHY I RETIRED FROM COORDINATING COUNCILS
16 YEARS AGO. BUT I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE
17 YOU'VE ALL BEEN GREAT. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU. AND FOR THE
18 MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT THAT ARE WITH ME TODAY, AND REALLY
19 BACKED THIS, I WANT TO THANK THEM, TOO. THEY'VE BEEN
20 ABSOLUTELY FANTASTIC. THANK YOU! [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** I JUST WANTED TO, LAURINE, TO SAY THANK
23 YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN TO OUR COMMUNITIES.
24 YOU HAVE BEEN AN ADVOCATE IN SO MANY DIFFERENT WAYS FOR THE
25 PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I THINK YOU'RE ONE OF THE PEOPLE



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1 THAT HAVE MADE US COME CLOSER TO OUR GOAL OF CREATING HOPE AND
2 WELLNESS AND RECOVERY FOR THE PEOPLE OF L.A. COUNTY. SO THANK
3 YOU SO MUCH.

4

5 **LAURINE BARBER:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS, NOW WE WANT TO
10 RECOGNIZE MYRNA CONDIE AND GARY CONDIE AS THE 2009 MOTHER OF
11 THE YEAR BY THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN MOTHERS.
12 MYRNA HAS BEEN VERY HAPPILY MARRIED TO GARY FOR THE PAST 42
13 YEARS. THEY HAVE ONE DAUGHTER, HEATHER LAKE, AND THREE
14 GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WAS PRAISED BY HER COMMUNITY FOR COMMUNITY
15 SERVICE, INCLUDING FOSTER YOUTH. CURRENTLY, SHE SERVES ON THE
16 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB FOUNDATION BOARD OF
17 DIRECTORS AS WELL AS THE COLLEGE OF CANYONS FOUNDATION BOARD.
18 SHE WAS THE FOUNDER OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY FESTIVAL OF
19 THE TREES, AND HAS SERVED AS CO-CHAIR FOR THE COLLEGE OF THE
20 CANYONS SILVER SPUR CELEBRATION FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS.
21 DESPITE HAVING CONGENITAL HEART DEFECTS WHICH REQUIRED
22 MULTIPLE HEART SURGERIES OVER THE YEARS, SHE NEVER LET HER
23 HEALTH PROBLEMS SLOW HER DOWN FROM DOING HER GOOD WORK AND
24 BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR. SO MYRNA, CONGRATULATIONS ON THIS



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1 AWARD. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO GIVING YOU ONE YOUR 50TH
2 ANNIVERSARY. HOW'S THAT? [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **MYRNA CONDIE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE
5 WITH OUR COUNTY SUPERVISOR, MICHAEL ANTONOVICH. WHAT A GREAT
6 HONOR. AND ALSO TO BE HERE WITH PREVIOUS HONOREES. THE
7 AMERICAN MOTHERS IS THE OFFICIAL ORGANIZATION OF MOTHER'S DAY
8 HERE IN THE UNITED STATES. AND SO IT'S AN HONOR, A GREAT
9 HONOR, TO BE ABLE TO REPRESENT ALL OF THE GREAT MOTHERS OF THE
10 GREAT STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OCTOBER 4TH THROUGH THE TENTH IS THE MONTH
13 THAT WE RECOGNIZE CALIFORNIANS AGAINST LAWSUIT ABUSE. WITH US
14 IS DAVID HOUSTON, WHO'S THE CHAIRMAN, TO RECOGNIZE LAWSUIT
15 ABUSE AWARENESS WEEK, WHICH WAS OBSERVED THIS PAST WEEK, AND
16 TO RECOGNIZE THEIR EFFORTS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF THE
17 HUMAN FINANCIAL COSTS OF ABUSE OF LAWSUITS, ENCOURAGING OUR
18 LEGISLATORS TO ENACT COMMON SENSE REFORMS THAT RESTORE SANITY,
19 COMMON SENSE TO THE LEGAL SYSTEM, ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO SERVE
20 ON JURIES, ENSURING THE LEGAL SYSTEM IS USED FOR JUSTICE AND
21 NOT GREED. CIVIL LITIGATION IS OUR COUNTY'S COSTS, ARE NOT
22 ONLY JUST THE TAXPAYERS IN THE CITIES AND COUNTIES BUT
23 INDIVIDUALS, AS WELL. BILLIONS OF DOLLARS EACH YEAR. OFTEN
24 PEOPLE EXPLOIT OUR NATION'S JUSTICE SYSTEM IN THE HOPES OF
25 GAINING WEALTH, RESULTING IN LAWSUITS MOTIVATED BY AGAIN,



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1 GREED, NOT JUSTICE. FRIVOLOUS AND ABUSIVE CLAIMS CAN DISTRACT
2 FROM COMMUNITIES BY DIVERTING LOCAL RESOURCES FROM IMPORTANT
3 VITAL SERVICES, PUBLIC SAFETY AND OUR SCHOOLS. WHILE THE
4 TAXING FINANCIAL AND PUBLIC BURDEN OF IRRESPONSIBLE
5 LITIGATION, MANY OF OUR SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS, HEALTHCARE
6 PROVIDERS AND GOVERNMENT ENTITIES FEAR BEING SUED AND
7 LEGITIMATE VICTIMS EXPERIENCE UNFAIR DELAYS WHEN PURSUING DUE
8 PROCESS UNDER THE LAW. SO AT THIS TIME LET ME GIVE THIS
9 PROCLAMATION TO YOU AND AS WE HAD PROCLAIMED THIS ABUSE WEEK.

10

11 **DAVID HOUSTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND
12 THE SUPERVISORS. I THINK YOU LAID OUT THE CASE VERY WELL FOR
13 WHY THERE NEEDS TO BE SUBSTANTIAL TORT REFORM. C.A.L.A. IS A
14 GROUP OF GRASS ROOT VOLUNTEERS THAT PUSH FOR SENSIBLE, COMMON
15 SENSE TORT REFORM. EVERY YEAR, UNSCRUPULOUS ATTORNEYS AND
16 FRIVOLOUS LAWSUITS CRUSH THE BIG DREAMS OF SMALL BUSINESS
17 PEOPLE LIKE MYSELF AND COST US MILLIONS AND COST US JOBS. SO
18 URGE YOU TO JOIN US IN OUR EFFORTS AGAINST THE LEGAL
19 INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX AND PUSH FOR COMMON SENSE LEVEL AND FAIR
20 TORT REFORM. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS WEEK WE HAVE LITTLE CHARLIE. THIS IS
23 CHARLIE. HE'S 12 WEEKS OLD. HE'S A LITTLE TERRIER MIX. HI, HOW
24 ARE YOU, CHARLIE? HE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. SOMEBODY LIKE TO
25 ADOPT LITTLE CHARLIE? YOU CAN CALL THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AT



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1 562-728-4644, OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE, LITTLE CHARLIE WOULD
2 LOVE TO BRING JOY TO YOUR HOME.

3

4 **SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, ON ITEM NO.
5 10, THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC RELEASED HIS HOLD ON THIS, SO WE
6 COULD GO AHEAD AND APPROVE THAT ITEM.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITH THAT, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR --
9 HAVE WE GOT A QUORUM?

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
14 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE WILL BEGIN THE MEETING WITH
19 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? YOU
20 ARE FIRST UP ON SPECIALS, ADJOURNMENTS? NO ADJOURNMENTS?

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE PUBLIC HEARING.

23



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE ARE GOING TO PROCEED WITH THE PUBLIC
2 HEARINGS, THEN. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS HAS NO ANNOUNCEMENTS,
3 SO WE CAN PROCEED.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I DO HAVE AN ITEM TO READ IN. DO YOU WANT
6 ME TO DO IT AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING? I CAN DO THAT. ALL
7 RIGHT? THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHY DON'T YOU WAIT UNTIL AFTERWARDS.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T WANT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
14 GETTING NERVOUS OVER HERE. I WANT TO CALM HIM DOWN.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE
17 BOARD ON EITHER ITEMS 2 OR 5, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR
18 RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THESE ARE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 2 OR 5 IF
21 YOU'RE PLANNING TO TESTIFY.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS
24 BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE
25 TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SOME SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK



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1 YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS THE DE NOVO
2 HEARING ON PROJECT NO. R2007-02104-(4) CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
3 CASE NO. 200700149-(4) AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION LOCATED
4 BETWEEN SOUTH FRAME AVENUE AND SOUTH HOLMES CIRCLE, HACIENDA
5 HEIGHTS ZONED DISTRICT, APPLIED BY JASON KOZORA, TRILLIUM
6 TELECOM SVC ON BEHALF OF T-MOBILE USA INC. THERE IS A
7 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED ON THIS
8 MATTER.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL HAVE THE DEPARTMENT BEGIN AND THEN
11 WE'LL CALL THOSE THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY.

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13 **DIANE ARANDA:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
14 BOARD. MY NAME IS DIANE ARANDA, AND I'M AN ASSISTANT PLANNER
15 WITH ZONING PERMIT SECTION 2 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
16 PLANNING. TODAY'S AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 IS FOR THE REQUEST TO
17 APPEAL THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S FEBRUARY 4TH, 2009
18 DECISION TO AUTHORIZE INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION
19 OF AN UNMANNED WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITY TO BE
20 LOCATED ON AN EXISTING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON TRANSMISSION
21 TOWER. THE APPLICANT, T-MOBILE, REQUESTS TO MOUNT 12 PANEL
22 ANTENNAS WITH ONE GPS ANTENNA ON THE RISER LEGS OF AN EXISTING
23 151-FOOT LATTICE TOWER. TWO SECTORS OF THE PANEL ANTENNAS ARE
24 AT APPROXIMATELY 42 FEET. AND THE THIRD SECTOR IS AT 50 FEET.
25 IN ADDITION, THE PROJECT WOULD PLACE FOUR NEW EQUIPMENT



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1 CABINETS ON A CONCRETE SLAB AT THE BASE OF THE EXISTING
2 LATTICE TOWER SURROUNDED BY A NEW 6-FOOT HIGH ENCLOSED
3 CONCRETE BLOCK WALL WITHIN THE 300 SQUARE FOOT LEASEHOLD AREA.
4 ACCESS TO THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS FROM SOUTH FRAME AVENUE. THE
5 FACILITY WILL BE UNMANNED AND OPERATE 7 DAYS A WEEK, 24 HOURS
6 A DAY. THE WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITY WOULD BE
7 LOCATED ON A 15-ACRE LOT OF VACANT AGRICULTURAL LAND BETWEEN
8 SOUTH FRAME AVENUE AND SOUTH HOLMES CIRCLE IN THE HEAVY
9 AGRICULTURAL ZONE WITHIN THE HACIENDA HEIGHTS ZONE DISTRICT OF
10 THE UNINCORPORATED PORTION OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE
11 PROPERTY IS A SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON PRIVATE RIGHT-OF-WAY,
12 AND PERMISSION IS NEEDED TO ACCESS THE SITE. STAFF HAS
13 DETERMINED THAT THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A CLASS 3
14 CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION WHICH EXEMPTS INSTALLATION OF SMALL NEW
15 EQUIPMENT. PRIOR TO THIS PUBLIC HEARING, THERE WAS A COMMUNITY
16 INPUT MEETING HELD ON JUNE 2ND, 2008 AND A HEARING OFFICER
17 MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2008 AT THE STEINMETZ CENTER IN
18 HACIENDA HEIGHTS. THE SPECIFIC ISSUES EXPRESSED BY THE
19 RESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE WERE CONCERNS REGARDING POTENTIAL
20 HEALTH EFFECTS, AESTHETICS, DECLINE IN PROPERTY VALUES AND A
21 REQUEST TO MOVE THE PROJECT TO ANOTHER SITE. THE APPLICANT
22 RESEARCHED THE ALTERNATE SITE AND FOUND THAT THE ALTERNATE
23 SITE WILL NOT MEET THE INTENDED COVERAGE OBJECTIVE OF T-MOBILE
24 DUE TO GEOGRAPHIC CONSTRAINTS. THE APPLICANT WAS ASKED TO
25 EXPLORE OTHER ALTERNATE SITES IN THE VICINITY THAT COULD



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1 PROVIDE COMPARABLE COVERAGE, BUT NONE WERE FOUND TO BE
2 SUITABLE AND ABLE TO PROVIDE THE COVERAGE NECESSARY. THE
3 APPLICANT ALSO FOUND THAT THE PLACEMENT OF THE FACILITY ON AN
4 EXISTING EDISON LATTICE TOWER IN AN EDISON RIGHT-OF-WAY ALLOWS
5 FOR GREATER DISTANCE SEPARATION FROM THE SURROUNDING
6 RESIDENCES AND CURTAILS THE NEED FOR NEW POLE STRUCTURES
7 WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. THEREFORE, STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT THE
8 BOARD UPHOLDS THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL.
9 THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS FOR STAFF,
12 BUT I WILL WAIT. ANYTHING FROM COUNTY COUNSEL? WE HAVE A
13 NUMBER OF FOLKS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP. WE'LL ALLOW PUBLIC
14 TESTIMONY AND THEN I HAVE SOME ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR STAFF,
15 OKAY?

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17 **DIANE ARANDA:** OKAY.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** JEANNE FOSTER? CHERYL RILEY. JOSEPH
20 CHEN. AND KIHACHIRO TAJIMA. FIRST FOUR SPEAKERS. AND WHEN
21 YOU'RE FINISHED WITH YOUR PUBLIC TESTIMONY, IF YOU WOULD
22 RETURN TO YOUR SEATS, AND I WILL CALL UP ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS.
23 JUST CALLING FOUR AT A TIME. ALL RIGHT. WHOEVER IS FIRST, GO
24 AHEAD AND IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD.

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1 **CHERYL RILEY:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CHERYL
2 RILEY, AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF MY NEIGHBORS AND RESPECTFULLY
3 REQUEST THAT THIS PROJECT BE DENIED OR AT LEAST BE RETURNED TO
4 THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR FURTHER STUDIES. YOU HAVE OUR
5 EXHIBITS ON YOUR DESK, HOPEFULLY. AND I REQUEST THAT THEY BE
6 ENTERED INTO AN OFFICIAL RECORD. AS YOU WILL SEE, T-MOBILE HAS
7 NOT PROVEN THAT THEIR COVERAGE CLAIMS ARE VALID AND NO WRITTEN
8 PROOF EXISTS SHOWING ALTERNATIVE LOCATIONS OR TECHNICAL
9 STUDIES. IN ADDITION, I WANT TO MAKE YOU AVAILABLE THAT T-
10 MOBILE 911 CLAIMS ARE FALSE. THE 911 ISSUE IS A NON-ISSUE THAT
11 EVEN A DISCONNECTED CELL PHONE WILL PICK UP ANY SIGNAL FROM A
12 CARRIER WHEN 911 IS DIALED. NOW, EVERY CELL PHONE CARRIER HAS
13 THE CAPABILITY TO ANSWER ALL 911 CALLS, NOT JUST T-MOBILE.
14 ALSO, T-MOBILE CLAIMS REGARDING EMERGENCY SITUATIONS WHEN
15 POWER FAILS THAT THEY HAVE AN 8-HOUR BACKUP BATTERY. ALL
16 CELLULAR COMPANIES HAVE AN 8-HOUR BACKUP BATTERY, AS DO
17 TELEPHONE COMPANY LAND LINES. CABLE COMPANIES SUCH AS TIME
18 WARNER OR COX HAVE A 48-HOUR BACKUP. WHEN WE HAD AN EARTHQUAKE
19 LAST YEAR IN ORANGE COUNTY, ALL CELLULAR SERVICE WAS
20 DISCONTINUED BECAUSE THE CELLULAR COMPANIES WERE AFRAID OF A
21 CRASH BECAUSE OF AN OVER USAGE. CELL FACILITIES DO NOT BELONG
22 IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS, SO CLOSE TO OUR HOMES, AMIDST OUR HOMES.
23 IT WILL LOWER OUR PROPERTY VALUES, WHICH WILL ALSO REDUCE
24 PROPERTY TAX REVENUES AND FURTHER ERODE THE COUNTY'S TAX BASE.
25 PEOPLE'S LIVES ARE UNFAIRLY CRUMBLING BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF



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1 RESPONSIBILITY EXHIBITED BY THIS INDUSTRY AND GOVERNMENTS IN
2 DESIGNING THESE TECHNOLOGIES AND THE SERIOUS BIOLOGICAL AND
3 D.N.A.-LEVEL EFFECTS OF MICROWAVE RADIATION HAVE BEEN KNOWN
4 ABOUT FOR DECADES. THIS POWER GRAB IS A TRAVESTY THAT NEEDS TO
5 BE REVERSED TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF HUMANS, ANIMALS, NATURE
6 AND PROPERTY VALUES. THE BURDEN OF PROOF IS ON T-MOBILE TO
7 PROVE IT HAS A SIGNIFICANT GAP IN SERVICE, AS FEDERAL
8 APPELLATE COURTS HAVE DEFINED THAT TERM, INCLUDING THE NINTH
9 CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS. T-MOBILE HAS NO REPORT ON THIS. IN
10 TALKING TO OTHER COMMUNITIES, IT WAS ALSO BROUGHT TO OUR
11 ATTENTION THAT T-MOBILE HAS A PATTERN OF DECEPTION ABOUT
12 COVERAGE CLAIMS. PLEASE SEE OUR SECTION IN THE T-MOBILE
13 COVERAGE IN OUR EXHIBITS. T-MOBILE HAS SIMPLY GIVEN US NO
14 MEANINGFUL INFORMATION WHATSOEVER TO WARRANT THE COUNTY
15 APPROVING THIS PERMIT. THE COUNTY SHOULD NOT BLINDLY TRUST
16 WHATEVER T-MOBILE OR ANY CELL CARRIER GIVES THEM. AND WE ASK
17 THAT YOU TAKE THE TIME TO THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATE ALL OF THE T-
18 MOBILE CLAIMS. I URGE YOU TO CONSIDER THE WISHES OF THIS
19 COMMUNITY AND USE YOUR LEGAL AUTHORITY TO DENY THIS PROJECT OR
20 AT THE VERY LEAST TURN IT BACK TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR
21 PROPER REVIEW AND EXAMINE THE NATURE OF THIS CASE. THANK YOU
22 VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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1 **JOSEPH CHEN:** HELLO. MY NAME'S JOSEPH CHEN. [INAUDIBLE] I AM AN
2 ENGINEER.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME. START YOUR TIME OVER. HOLD ON
5 A SECOND. I ASK CHERYL SEWARDS TO JOIN US, PLEASE? I'M CALLING
6 FOUR AT A TIME. GO AHEAD.

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8 **JOSEPH CHEN:** MY NAME'S JOSEPH CHEN AND I'M AN ENGINEER. I WILL
9 LIVE, MY HOUSE, WE'RE LIVING UNDER 500 FEET UNDER THE ANTENNA
10 24/7 IN CASE THEY INSTALL THE ANTENNA OVER THERE. BECAUSE
11 THEY'RE SUPPOSED LEAVING RESIDENTIAL AREA. NOW I HAVE THREE
12 QUESTIONS. IN CASE I SAY SOMETHING WRONG OR AGAINST THE LAW,
13 PLEASE LET ME NOW, I CAN STOP OR CORRECT. QUESTION NUMBER ONE:
14 WHY ONLY T-MOBILE HAVE TO USE THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON
15 POWER TO INSTALL THEIR CELL ANTENNA? AT VERIZON AND AT&T, THEY
16 DON'T NEED IT. BECAUSE AT VERIZON AND AT&T, THEY USE THE HIGH-
17 TECH FIBER OPTIC TO INSTALL THAT KIND OF STUFF, THEY CAN STAY
18 OFF THE TRADITIONAL. OKAY, THEY WANT TO SAVE MONEY. IT IS
19 CHEAPEST WAY FOR THEM JUST TO PUT THE EXISTING POWER ANTENNA.
20 SO THEY ALWAYS THINK ABOUT HOW TO SAVE MONEY AND MAKE MONEY.
21 THEY DON'T THINK ABOUT OUR SELF. SECOND THING IT'S THE
22 GOVERNMENT'S JOB, THE FUNCTION IS SERVICE AND PROTECTION, AND
23 GOVERNMENT PROTECT THE PROPERTY LINE IS JOB NUMBER ONE. FOR
24 EXAMPLE, CAL-TRANS, THEY WANT EXTENSION THEIR HIGHWAY FREEWAY
25 60 AND FROM A FOUR LANE TO SIX LANE. THEY'RE TRYING TO BUILD



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1 SOMETHING TO PROTECT THE EXISTING NEIGHBORHOOD, CITY AND THE
2 NOISE. BUT T-MOBILE, THEY DON'T DO ANYTHING, THEY JUST PUT THE
3 CONCRETE WALL. THE CONCRETE WALL EDGES PROTECT THEIR FACILITY,
4 NOT FOR VENDOR REASON. AND THEY DON'T THINK ABOUT -- OKAY,
5 THEY PUT IT, THEY DON'T MENTION ABOUT OUR WHAT OUR
6 COMPENSATION FOR OUR PROPERTY VALUE LAWS. THEY DON'T MENTION
7 ANYTHING. AND JUST WE ARE THE VICTIM AND THEY ARE THE WINNER.
8 QUESTION NUMBER 3. WE WERE RESERVED THE RIGHT IN CASE THESE
9 KIND OF E.M.F. IN THE FUTURE WERE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD TO GET
10 CANCER, TUMOR AND LEUKEMIA OR BIRTH DEFECTS, WE WILL RESERVE
11 THE RIGHT FOR THE CLASS SUIT TO THE T-MOBILE. THANK YOU VERY
12 MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

15

16 **KIHACHIRO TAJIMA:** HI, MY NAME IS KIHACHIRO TAJIMA. WHERE IS
17 THE WRITTEN MATERIAL AND DATA FROM T-MOBILE TO PROVE REAL
18 NEED? WHERE IS THE WRITTEN MATERIAL TO PROVE THEY HAVE
19 EXHAUSTED ALL OTHER OPTIONS? WHAT TECHNICAL ALTERNATIVES DID
20 THEY EXPLORE? HOW MANY LOCATIONS DID THEY EXAMINE? THEY MUST
21 SHOW THIS IS THE BEST AND LEAST INTRUSIVE MEANS OF THE
22 COMMUNITY AND WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT THIS IS. WE DON'T WANT THE
23 COUNTY TO RUSH APPROVE UNTIL THIS IS THOROUGHLY LOOKED INTO.
24 OUR COMMUNITY REGRETS THAT THAT TOWER, LESS THAN QUARTER MILE
25 AWAY ON THE HIGHER HILL. THEY DID THE REST TEST ON THE WATER



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1 TOWER NOT EVEN CLOSE TO THE REQUESTED ALTERNATIVE SITE. WE
2 ALSO ASKED FOR THEM TO CO-LOCATE ON THE TOWER LESS THAN
3 QUARTER MILES DOWNHILL. THEY DID NOT EVEN INVESTIGATE THIS OR
4 ANY OTHER SITE. GIVEN THE TRACK RECORD OF DISHONESTY OF T-
5 MOBILE, WE ASK THAT YOU REQUIRE T-MOBILE TO PROVIDE ALL
6 NECESSARY WRITTEN VERIFICATION FOR ALL THEIR CLAIMS. WE SIMPLY
7 CANNOT TRUST WHAT T-MOBILE SUBMITS OR ANY STUDY OR REPORTS
8 THAT THEY PAY FOR. THE PROPOSED SITE IS DIRECTLY IN THE HEART
9 OF THE PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL NATIVE HABITAT PRESERVATION. AND
10 AS YOU WILL SEE FROM THE WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS, WE DO NOT
11 BELIEVE THAT C.E.Q.A. EXEMPTION APPLIES TO THE EDISON-OWNED
12 LAND PER OUR EXHIBIT. THIS LAND HAS AN OLD CLASSIFICATION OF
13 THE HACIENDA HEIGHTS PLAN. THE INTENT OF THIS LAND IS FOR
14 CONSERVATION OF OPEN SPACE FOR PARKS, RIDING AND HIKING
15 TRAILS, PASSIVE RECREATION AND SCIENTIFIC STUDY. THERE ARE
16 VARIOUS SPECIES OF ALL HOGS, TURKEY, VULTURES, AND OTHER
17 WILDLIFE SIGHTED IN AND AROUND THE PROPOSED SITE. WE HAVE THE
18 RED-TAILED HAWKS NESTS IN THE SCE TOWER THAT T-MOBILE WANTS TO
19 INSTALL 12 ANTENNAS AND THE MAINTENANCE BUILDING. THESE BIRDS
20 ARE PROTECTED, EVEN WITH THE THE CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION UNDER
21 THE MIGRATING BIRDS ACT. AND ANY BIRDS THAT CREATE NESTS
22 CANNOT BE DISTURBED. THE RED-TAIL HAWKS RETURN, USE THE SAME
23 NESTS THE EVERY YEAR. PLEASE SEE OUR SECTION --

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP, PLEASE?



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2 **JOSEPH CHEN:** SENSITIVE SURROUNDINGS AND EXHIBITS. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, NEXT?

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6 **VERNON SEWARDS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS VERNON
7 SEWARDS, AND I'M BASICALLY GOING TO JUST BE SPEAKING ABOUT
8 REPORTS AND BURDEN OF PROOF. I BECAME AWARE OF THE PROPOSED
9 INSTALLATION OF T-MOBILE'S ANTENNA WHEN I SAW THE SIGN POSTED
10 BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON A FENCE BY MY HOME. AND PER THE
11 INSTRUCTIONS, I WENT TO THE COUNTY LIBRARY ON LAMONT IN
12 HACIENDA HEIGHTS. I SPOKE TO THE LIBRARIAN THERE AND WAS TOLD
13 THEY HAD NO IDEA WHAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT. WE MADE A REQUEST
14 FOR THE ALTERNATIVE SITE AND WAS TOLD BY THE PLANNING
15 COMMISSION THEY DID NOT HAVE THIS REPORT AND I WAS TO CONTACT
16 JASON KOZORA. WHEN I CONTACTED JASON, HE TOLD ME HE WOULD ASK
17 HIS ENGINEERS AND GET RIGHT BACK TO ME. AS OF THIS DATE, I
18 HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY REPORT. IN JUNE, I WENT TO THE PLANNING
19 COMMISSION AND ASKED TO LOOK INSIDE MY FOLDER. NO ONE KNEW
20 WHERE IT WAS. THEY SAID IT COULD BE ON ANYONE'S DESK. AND THEY
21 DID NOT KNOW HOW TO LOCATE IT. I WENT TO THE PLANNING
22 COMMISSION TO REQUEST A REPORT ON CELL TOWERS, THEIR CARRIERS
23 AND LOCATIONS OF THE CELL TOWERS. THEY LOOKED LIKE DEERS
24 CAUGHT IN HEADLIGHTS AND SAID: "NO ONE HAS EVER ASKED THAT
25 QUESTION." AND THEY DID NOT KNOW HOW TO GET SUCH INFORMATION.



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1 I DID RECEIVE A LETTER FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION IN LATE
2 AUGUST SAYING THAT THEY COULD GET THE REPORT IF I STILL NEEDED
3 IT. I CONTACTED THEM BY PHONE AND RECEIVED NO CALLBACK. I
4 EMAILED THEM PER THE LETTER AND TOLD THEM I WANTED THE REPORT.
5 AND AS OF THIS DATE, I STILL HAVE NOT RECEIVED THIS REPORT OR
6 ANY ANSWERS FROM THEM. WE ALSO SENT T-MOBILE TWO LETTERS
7 REQUESTING THEIR CELL SITES IN OUR AREAS AND WHAT TYPE OF
8 EQUIPMENT WAS USED. I HAVE NEVER RECEIVED ANY ANSWERS FROM T-
9 MOBILE. I HAVE BEEN OUT OF THE STATE FOR FIVE MONTHS. AND UPON
10 MY RETURN, I NOTICED THAT THERE WAS NO POSTING FOR THE HEARING
11 DATE OF THIS MORNING. AND SPEAKING WITH MY NEIGHBORS, NO ONE
12 RECEIVED ANY NOTIFICATION IN ANY WAY, WHETHER MAIL,
13 TELEPHONICALLY, EMAILS OR ANY TYPE OF NOTICE WHATSOEVER. THE
14 EXECUTIVE BOARD, WHEN I CALLED THEM, TOLD ME THAT PEOPLE THAT
15 LIVE WITHIN 500 FEET OF THE PROPOSED SITE WERE NOTIFIED. WITH
16 OTHER COMMUNITIES, WINDSOR HILLS, PASADENA, ALTADENA,
17 GLENDALE, THEY HAVE THE SAME PROBLEM WITH NOTIFICATION. I
18 HONESTLY FEEL THIS IS A PURE CASE OF VITAL INFORMATION FALLING
19 THROUGH THE CRACKS. I AM NOT BLAMING ANY ONE PERSON, BUT THIS
20 IS CLEARLY A CASE OF LACK OF REQUESTED INFORMATION, WHICH WAS
21 VITAL FOR OUR AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE AGAINST T-MOBILE'S MISUSE.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP, PLEASE,
24 VERNON?

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1 **VERNON SEWARDS:** YES, PLEASE, IF YOU WOULD LOOK IN THE FOLDER
2 PROVIDED TO YOU, IF YOU COULD LOOK AT THE BURDEN OF PROOF IN
3 OUR EXHIBITS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, VERNON. YES, NEXT?

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7 **JEANNE FOSTER:** YES, MY NAME IS JEANNE RAY FOSTER. I WANTED TO
8 MAKE TWO CORRECTIONS IF I COULD BEFORE YOU START MY CLOCK.
9 FIRST OF ALL, T-MOBILE STATED THAT THERE WAS 50 ACRES
10 INVOLVED. IT'S ONLY 15. AND THE DISTANCE FROM THE TOWERS IS
11 ONLY 75 TO 100 FEET TO THE HOMES.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT.

14

15 **JEANNE FOSTER:** ANYWAY, GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
16 SUPERVISORS. AND THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH
17 YOU. IT SEEMS THAT CELL TOWERS ARE POPPING UP IN EVERYONE'S
18 BACKYARD THESE DAYS. I'VE SEEN DOZENS JUST ALONG HIGHWAY 5
19 CORRIDOR, NOT TO MENTION ALL THOSE IN OUR AREAS. THERE ARE
20 ALMOST 2 MILLION TOWERS AROUND THE U.S., AND THAT NUMBER IS
21 GROWING DAILY. MOST PEOPLE ARE UNAWARE OF THE DANGERS INVOLVED
22 IN HAVING THESE MONSTERS LOOMING IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS.
23 HAVING A MOBILE PHONE AND ITS RISK OF USING ONE IS AN
24 INDIVIDUAL CHOICE. HOWEVER, WHAT IS NOT AN INDIVIDUAL CHOICE
25 IS WHETHER A PHONE TOWER, WITH ALL ITS HEALTH RISKS, IS PLACED



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1 IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. A 2004 GERMAN GOVERNMENT STUDY FOUND
2 THAT PEOPLE LIVING WITHIN 1,300 FEET OF CELL TOWERS HAD THREE
3 TIMES THE NORMAL NUMBER OF CANCER RISK. A FRENCH MEDICAL STUDY
4 OF PEOPLE LIVING WITHIN 1,000 FEET OF CELL TOWERS DOCUMENTED
5 AN UNUSUALLY HIGH LEVEL OF COMPLAINTS OF EXTREME FATIGUE,
6 MEMORY LOSS, HEADACHES, SLEEP DISORDERS, DEPRESSION, SKIN
7 PROBLEMS, HEARING LOSS AND CARDIOVASCULAR PROBLEMS. AND THE
8 LIST GOES ON. THERE IS AN UNDERTONE TO THE ARGUMENTS ON SITES
9 FOR CELL TOWERS OF: IF YOU CAN'T SEE OR SMELL OR TASTE
10 ANYTHING WRONG, WHAT'S THE PROBLEM? THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS
11 THAT UNLESS YOU HAVE A GEIGER COUNTER, YOU DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH
12 RADIATION IS PRESENT. IF YOU DON'T HAVE A GAUSSMETER, YOU
13 CANNOT MEASURE ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS. SO THE INTANGIBILITY OF
14 THE DAMAGE IS ENOUGH FOR THE IGNORANT MASSES TO PRETEND THEY
15 DON'T EXIST, AT LEAST UNTIL THEY GET CANCER. LIKE MY SISTER.
16 FORGIVE ME. WE ARE DEALING WITH THE ISSUE OF PURE GREED ON THE
17 PART OF THESE WIRELESS COMPANIES. THEY CARE NOTHING ABOUT THE
18 DANGEROUS HEALTH EFFECTS ON PEOPLE LIVING NEAR THESE TOWERS.
19 OTHER GOVERNMENT BODIES IN OUR STATE HAVE RESTRICTED CELL
20 TOWERS NEAR SCHOOLS, PARKS, FIRE STATIONS DUE TO HEALTH
21 CONCERNS AND EXPOSURE TO E.M.F. WAVES, AND WE ARE ASKING YOU
22 TO PLEASE DENY THEM FROM BEING BUILT IN HIGHLY CONCENTRATED
23 RESIDENTIAL AREAS. TO APPROVE THESE TOWERS, YOU WILL BE
24 EXPERIMENTING WITH OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR LIVES. AND, AGAIN, I
25 BESEECH YOU TO VOTE NO. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I ASK TIM MILLER TO JOIN US,
3 JAIME HALL AND ARNOLD SACHS. CHERYL?

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5 **CHERYL SEWARDS:** YEAH. MY NAME IS CHERYL SEWARDS. WE ARE HERE
6 TODAY TO FIGHT FOR OUR HOMES, OUR NEIGHBORS AND FOR OUR
7 COMMUNITY. YOU HAVE HEARD THE FALSE TESTIMONY FROM T-MOBILE
8 REGARDING 911 CAPACITY AND GAPS IN OUR CELLULAR SERVICE, AND
9 THIS WAS PROVEN. IN THE NOTEBOOKS, YOU'LL NOTICE THERE IS
10 TESTIMONY THAT WE DID OUR OWN FIELD TEST. ALSO, FOR THEM UNDER
11 THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS NOT FINDING A LESS
12 INTRUSIVE MEANS STANDARD. IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO SEE HOW T-
13 MOBILE AND OTHER CELLULAR COMPANIES COME INTO COMMUNITIES WITH
14 FALSE STATEMENTS AND MISLEADING PEOPLE. WE LIVE IN A HIGH-
15 HAZARD FIRE AREA, AND WE ALSO HAVE A WHITTIER EARTHQUAKE FAULT
16 AND LANDSLIDE AREA ZONE. OUR NEIGHBORHOOD HAS ALREADY GONE
17 THROUGH TWO FIRES. AND WE DO NOT WANT TO GO THROUGH ANOTHER
18 BECAUSE OF FALLING ANTENNAS OR WIRES FROM THIS INSTALLATION,
19 AS PER THE MALIBU FIRE WHOSE CAUSE WAS UNCHECKED CELLULAR
20 ANTENNAS. I WAS TOLD TO DO THIS FROM MY HEART, SO I AM. I SENT
21 AN EMAIL TO A LADY THAT WAS ON THE PASADENA CELL TOWER FIGHT,
22 AND SHE EMAILED ME BACK. SHE SAYS "HI, CHERYL, I'M SORRY TO
23 HEAR ABOUT YOUR HEALTH PROBLEMS. I AM A CANCER SURVIVOR. I
24 HAVE DONE VERY LITTLE CELL TOWER-RELATED THINGS SINCE THE LAST
25 TIME I SAW YOU. I AM NOT PARTICIPATING IN ANYMORE CELL TOWER



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1 FIGHTS. THIS INCLUDES MY CITY, WHICH I HAVE FRONTED THE FIGHT
2 FOR OVER 2-1/2 YEARS. MY HUSBAND AND I ARE EXHAUSTED OVER THIS
3 ISSUE AND HAVE NOT LIVED OUR LIVES OUTSIDE THIS ISSUE. AT THIS
4 POINT, I AM IN SURVIVAL MODE." ACTUALLY, THE OTHER LADY WHO
5 WORKED CLOSELY WITH ME IS ALSO A CANCER SURVIVOR. THE BOTTOM
6 LINE IS: YOU HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY'S
7 HEALTH COMES FIRST. L.A. COUNTY WILL ALLOW YOU TO FIGHT THE
8 CELL TOWER; THEY MAY NOT LET YOU WIN. AT THIS POINT, YOU NEED
9 TO BE FIGHTING FOR YOUR OWN HEALTH AND WELFARE. MY CELL TOWER
10 WAS JUST COMPLETED LAST WEEK. WE WON AT THE CITY LEVEL AND T-
11 MOBILE WON WHEN THE CITY SETTLED OUT OF COURT. AT THIS POINT,
12 THERE IS NO NEED FOR COVERAGE FOR THE CELL SITE, WHICH WE HAVE
13 BEEN SAYING THIS FROM THE VERY BEGINNING. TAKE CARE OF
14 YOURSELF, LET SOMEONE ELSE LEAD THE FIGHT. IF NO ONE ELSE
15 WILL, THEN YOU NEED TO DECIDE FOR YOURSELF THE RISK BENEFITS
16 FOR YOUR OWN HEALTH TO PURSUE THIS CELL TOWER. I WAS DIAGNOSED
17 WITH CANCER THIS MAY. I HAVE BEEN GONE FOR FIVE MONTHS FOR
18 CANCER TREATMENTS UP IN WASHINGTON STATE. I AM ALWAYS IN FEAR
19 FOR A REOCCURRENCE. AND I HAVE CHANGED MY LIFESTYLE AND DIET.
20 JACK LALANNE WOULD BE PROUD BECAUSE I JUICE EVERY DAY. AND I
21 WANT TO CHANGE MY ENVIRONMENT. I JUST WANT TO COME TO MY HOME
22 AND LIVE IN MY HOME WHERE I RAISED MY CHILDREN, WHERE I
23 PLANNED TO LIVE THE REST OF MY RETIRED YEARS. I DON'T WANT TO
24 BE IN FEAR OF THIS HEALTH ISSUES OF LONG EXPOSURE TO RADIO
25 WAVES OR E.M.F.S. I JUST WANT TO GO HOME AND NOT BE AFRAID. WE



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1 HAVE BEEN FIGHTING THIS, I'M SORRY, I'M GOING TO FINISH. I
2 HAVE BEEN FIGHTING THIS FOR A YEAR AND A HALF. AND I AM TIRED.
3 AND THIS IS WHAT T-MOBILE DOES. IT WEARS YOU DOWN SO YOU'LL
4 GIVE UP OR GET SICK. PLEASE REVIEW OUR WRITTEN STATEMENTS AND
5 EXHIBITS. I URGE YOU TO CONSIDER THE WISHES OF THE NEEDS IN
6 THIS COMMUNITY, TO USE YOUR LEGAL AUTHORITY TO DENY THIS
7 PROJECT AT THE VERY LEAST. RETURN IT BACK TO THE PLANNING
8 COMMISSION FOR A PROPER REVIEW OF THE COMMUNITY'S CONCERNS AND
9 TO EXAMINE THE TRUE NATURE OF THIS CASE. THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. MR. HALL?
12 MR. MILLER? MR. SACHS, WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST.

13

14 **TIM MILLER:** GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS TIM MILLER. I'M HERE WITH
15 TRILLIUM CONSULTING ON BEHALF OF T-MOBILE. I JUST WANTED TO
16 ADDRESS A FEW MORE ITEMS HERE AND GO INTO OUR ACTUAL NEED FOR
17 COVERAGE HERE AND THE SIGNIFICANT COVERAGE GAP. WE HAVE
18 SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS THERE SHOWING OUR PROPAGATION, OUR
19 COVERAGE HOLE IN THE AREA. ALSO, TO FURTHER SHOW THE NEED FOR
20 SERVICE IN THERE, WE HAVE SENT OUT COMMUNICATION TO THE
21 CUSTOMERS IN THE AREA. AND THIS IS PART OF A LETTER THAT WAS
22 SENT ON OCTOBER 21ST. THERE WERE 72 CARDS RECEIVED THAT WERE
23 IN SUPPORT OF OUR PROJECT. AND OF THOSE 72, 47 SAID OTHER
24 MEMBERS OF THEIR HOUSEHOLDS WERE ALSO IN NEED OF SERVICE AND
25 DESIRED IMPROVEMENTS. NOW, AS FAR AS THIS DESIGN THAT WE HAVE



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1 HERE, WE'RE USING, AGAIN, AN EXISTING SCE LATTICE TOWER. THIS
2 IS THE LEAST INTRUSIVE MEANS THAT WE CAN COME UPON. THE
3 TERRAIN IN THE AREA AND THE COVERAGE OBJECTIVES, WE NEED TO
4 LOCATE ON THIS TOWER. WE HAVE LOOKED AT OTHER ALTERNATIVES AND
5 WE HAVE SHOWN AND DEMONSTRATED THAT THEY ARE NOT FEASIBLE. AND
6 AS FAR AS THE OPEN AREA, WE ARE LOCATING OUR EQUIPMENT
7 UNDERNEATH THE FOOTING OF THE TOWER. SO IT'S NOT GOING TO BE
8 GOING OUTSIDE THAT AREA. NOW, THIS TYPE OF LOCATION, THIS HAS
9 BEEN DONE BY MANY OTHER CARRIERS IN THE PAST. IT WAS MENTIONED
10 THAT VERIZON IS ON ANOTHER SCE TOWER DOWN THE WAY, THAT WORKS
11 FOR THEM. THAT TOWER WAS BROUGHT UP BY THE COMMUNITY. WE
12 INVESTIGATED IT AND IT WAS NOT A FEASIBLE LOCATION FOR US TO
13 WORK WITHIN OUR NETWORK. AS FAR AS WHERE WE ARE TODAY, WE HAVE
14 BEEN THROUGH A COMMUNITY MEETING BACK IN JUNE OF LAST YEAR.
15 WENT THROUGH THE ZONING OFFICERS HEARING. THEN OVER TO THE
16 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. AND THEY ALL UPHELD THE DECISION
17 TO APPROVE THE PROJECT. AND WE'RE ASKING FOR THE SAME THING
18 HERE WITH YOU. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'LL BE MORE THAN
19 HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. NEXT?

22

23 **JAIME HALL:** HI. MY NAME IS JAIME HALL, I'M HERE AS OUTSIDE
24 COUNSEL FOR T-MOBILE. I WANT TO INITIALLY NOTE THAT TODAY'S
25 HEARING IS A RESULT OF OVER TWO YEARS' WORTH OF PLANNING,



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1 REVIEW AND CAREFUL CONSIDERATION ON THE PART OF BOTH STAFF AND
2 THE APPLICANT. T-MOBILE'S REALLY UNDERTAKEN SOME EXTRAORDINARY
3 MEASURES WITH THIS PROJECT, INCLUDING HOLDING COMMUNITY
4 MEETINGS, CONDUCTING PUBLIC HEARINGS IN THE FIELD, ISOLATING
5 APPROPRIATE DEVELOPMENT MITIGATION MEASURES AND EXPLORING
6 NUMEROUS ALTERNATIVE SITES. THE PROJECT BEFORE YOU TODAY IS
7 THE END PRODUCT OF ALL OF THESE EFFORTS. AND T-MOBILE IS
8 PLEASED TO PRESENT A WIRELESS FACILITY THAT FILLS A
9 SIGNIFICANT COVERAGE GAP AS DEMONSTRATED BY THE EVIDENCE IN
10 THE RECORD AND IS MINIMALLY INTRUSIVE. INDEED, THIS PROJECT IS
11 THE LEAST INTRUSIVE ALTERNATIVE. I'D LIKE TO FIRST REITERATE
12 THE PURPOSE OF THIS APPLICATION. T-MOBILE HAS A SIGNIFICANT
13 COVERAGE GAP IN THE AREA AND WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE BOTH
14 EXCELLENT OUTDOOR AND INDOOR COVERAGE. T-MOBILE HAS PROVIDED
15 R.F. PROPAGATION MAPS VERIFYING THE POOR COVERAGE IN THE AREA
16 AND NO LESS THAN 72 RESIDENTS HAVE WRITTEN TO EXPRESS THEIR
17 DESIRE FOR BETTER COVERAGE. IN ORDER TO FILL THIS GAP, T-
18 MOBILE SOUGHT A SITE THAT WAS BOTH CONSIDERATE OF THE COUNTY'S
19 DESIRE TO LOCATE NEW SITES ON EXISTING STRUCTURES AND ENABLE
20 T-MOBILE TO MEET ITS COVERAGE OBJECTIVES. T-MOBILE CAREFULLY
21 CONSIDERED A NUMBER OF ALTERNATIVES, INCLUDING A WATER TANK,
22 TWO OTHER LATTICE TOWERS, AND SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
23 STRUCTURES. HOWEVER, T-MOBILE DETERMINED THAT THE OTHER SITES
24 WERE EITHER TECHNICALLY INFEASIBLE OR IN THE CASE OF SINGLE-
25 FAMILY RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES, NOT A PREFERRED CANDIDATE FROM



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1 A LAND USE PLANNING PERSPECTIVE. T-MOBILE HAS DESIGNED THE
2 SITE BEFORE YOU TODAY TO ENSURE THAT ALL LAND USE IMPACTS ARE
3 REDUCED TO A MINIMUM. FOR EXAMPLE, THE PROPOSED ANTENNAS WILL
4 BE PAINTED A NEUTRAL COLOR TO MATCH THE EXISTING TRANSMISSION
5 TOWER. A C.M.U. BLOCK WALL WILL BE CONSTRUCTED AROUND THE
6 NECESSARY EQUIPMENT TO BUFFER VIEWS AND PROVIDE PRIVACY.
7 CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY WILL BE CONDUCTED OUTSIDE NESTING SEASON
8 TO AVOID INTERFERENCE WITH NATIVE BIRD SPECIES. AND T-MOBILE'S
9 MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL WILL NOT DRIVE ON THE UTILITY EASEMENT'S
10 DIRT ROAD, THEREBY ELIMINATING CONCERNS REGARDING EXCESSIVE
11 DUST. FOR THESE REASONS, THE PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF AND THE
12 HEARING OFFICER, BOTH OR ALL OF THESE PEOPLE RECOMMENDED
13 APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT AND DETERMINED THAT IT WOULD NOT HAVE
14 A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE AESTHETICS AND VISUAL HARMONY OF
15 THE AREA. T-MOBILE BELIEVES THAT THE OVERWHELMING WEIGHT OF
16 THE EVIDENCE AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD SUPPORTS THIS
17 CONCLUSION AND SUBMITS THAT THE CHOSEN SITE REPRESENTS THE
18 LEAST INTRUSIVE ALTERNATIVE. I'D ALSO LIKE TO NOTE FOR THE
19 RECORD THAT CONSIDERATION OF THE PERCEIVED HEALTH EFFECTS OF
20 RADIO FREQUENCY EMISSIONS IS UNLAWFUL UNDER FEDERAL LAW. WE
21 HAVE SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS DEMONSTRATING THAT THE SITE IS FULLY
22 COMPLIANT WITH ALL F.C.C. RULES AND REGULATIONS. I'D ALSO LIKE
23 TO NOTE THAT THE HACIENDA HEIGHTS COMMUNITY PLAN SPECIFICALLY
24 ALLOWS FOR THIS LAND TO BE USED FOR UTILITY EASEMENTS IN
25 ADDITION TO CONSERVATION. FOR THESE REASONS, T-MOBILE SEEKS



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1 YOUR SUPPORT ON THIS PROJECT AND LOOKS FORWARD TO PROVIDING
2 THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND ESPECIALLY HACIENDA
3 HEIGHTS, SUPERIOR AND SEAMLESS WIRELESS COVERAGE THAT THEY CAN
4 COUNT ON.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD
9 SACHS. SUPERVISOR THOMAS, SUPERVISOR KNABE, ARE YOU "DAILY
10 BREEZE" SUBSCRIBERS? IF YOU ARE, THEN YOU WOULD HAVE READ THE
11 STORY YESTERDAY THAT --

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO PERSONAL QUESTIONS, PLEASE.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE JUDGE DENIED A REQUEST IN RANCHO PALOS
16 VERDES FOR SPRINT --

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. WE'RE WELL AWARE OF IT. PALOS
19 VERDES ESTATES. GET THE CITY RIGHT.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** PALOS VERDES ESTATES. THEIR REQUEST TO ERECT A
22 MOBILE TOWER. I BELIEVE, I DON'T KNOW WHO THE JUDGE WAS. OR I
23 JUST HAPPENED TO READ IT AND I WAS HOLDING THIS FOR OTHER
24 REASON. BUT SHE MENTIONED THAT ACCORDING TO WHAT THE
25 REPRESENTATIVE FROM SPRINT SAID, THEY HAD COVERAGE IN THE



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1 AREA. NOW, THESE TWO GENTLEMEN SAID THEY WANT TO IMPROVE
2 COVERAGE. SO THAT MEANS THEY HAVE COVERAGE. SO IF THEY HAVE
3 COVERAGE, THEN MAYBE THEY DON'T NEED THE TOWER. BUT THE JUDGE
4 DID OVERTURN IT, DENIED THE REQUEST TO PUT THE TOWER UP. MY
5 CONCERNS MORE OR LESS ARE WITH THE TOWER ITSELF AND GETTING
6 SOME KNOWLEDGE TO THE PUBLIC ON THAT END.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE TOWER'S ALREADY THERE.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I KNOW. BUT WHO OWNS THE TOWER? THERE ARE TOWERS

11 --

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EDISON.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THAT HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED, OR WIRING, THAT HAS
16 BEEN ALLOCATED BY THE PAST GOVERNOR, GRAY DAVIS, TO HELP IN
17 THE ENERGY FIASCO, THE ELECTRICAL MELTDOWN FIASCO, WHERE HE
18 HAD THE STATE BUY THE WIRING. SO IF THE STATE OWNS THE WIRING,
19 THEN THE OWNERSHIP OF THE TOWERS COMES INTO ACCOUNT. BECAUSE
20 THERE ARE SOME POWER PLANTS THAT ARE GOING TO BE
21 DECOMMISSIONED. AND IF THEY'RE NOT USED, THEN THOSE LINES AND
22 THOSE TOWERS WILL HAVE TO COME DOWN. AND IF THE STATE OWNS THE
23 LINES, THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE THE LINES DOWN. AND IF
24 THEY'RE TAKING THE LINES DOWN, THEY WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO TAKE
25 THE TOWERS DOWN. THAT'S ONE OF MY CONCERNS. ANOTHER ONE OF MY



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1 CONCERNS IS WITH PHONE COMPANIES, MOBILE PHONE COMPANIES
2 BAITING AND SWITCHING. AGAIN, YOU HEARD THAT WE HAVE SERVICE.
3 WE WANT TO IMPROVE SERVICE. WELL, IF YOU HAVE A -- IF YOU GO
4 IN AND WANT TO SIGN UP FOR A ONE-YEAR PLAN, YOU WILL HEAR FROM
5 THE SALES REP "WELL, WE HAVE NEW IMPROVED PHONES THAT WILL
6 ENHANCE YOUR SERVICE." BUT IF YOU GET A NEW PHONE, THEN YOUR
7 ONE-YEAR PLAN GOES OUT THE WINDOW BECAUSE THE PHONES ARE
8 ISSUED ON A TWO-YEAR BUY-IN PLAN. AND THEY WON'T TELL YOU
9 THAT. THEY WILL BAIT YOU IN BY SAYING "WELL, IF YOU'RE GOING
10 TO GET A NEW PHONE FOR A ONE-YEAR PLAN, THEN YOU MAYBE OUGHT
11 TO LOOK AT, IF YOU'RE GOING TO GET A ONE-YEAR PLAN, THEN MAYBE
12 WHILE YOU'RE DOING THAT, MAYBE YOU OUGHT TO LOOK AT GETTING A
13 NEW PHONE TO ENHANCE YOUR DELIVERY SERVICE." AND IF YOU SAID
14 "OKAY, BECAUSE I DO HAVE DISCONNECT AREAS," AND YOU GO FOR THE
15 NEW PHONE, THEN YOU'RE AUTOMATICALLY HITCHED INTO A TWO-YEAR
16 PLAN AND YOUR ONE-YEAR PLAN GOES OUT THE WINDOW. SO THE BAIT
17 AND SWITCH TACTIC SHOULD BE ADVERTISED BY THE PHONE COMPANIES.
18 AND, AGAIN, I REITERATE THAT THE JUDGE YESTERDAY OVERTURNED --
19 DIDN'T OVERTURN. SHE DENIED IN A HEARING A REQUEST TO PUT UP A
20 CELL TOWER.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU ALL. [APPLAUSE.] I HAVE SOME
23 QUESTIONS FOR REGIONAL PLANNING AND COUNTY COUNSEL. HOW WIDE
24 IS THE EDISON EASEMENT AT THE PROJECT SITE?

25



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1 **DIANE ARANDA:** THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON EASEMENT WIDTH IS
2 APPROXIMATELY 310 FEET FROM PROPERTY LINE TO PROPERTY LINE
3 ABUTTING RESIDENTIAL.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THE LATTICE TOWER IS ROUGHLY IN THE
6 MIDDLE OF THAT EASEMENT, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, FROM THE
7 PICTURES, AS WELL. SO THAT PUTS IT ROUGHLY 150 FEET FROM
8 RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES?

9

10 **DIANE ARANDA:** YES.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME, I WILL ASK. RELAX, OKAY?
13 PLEASE. THIS IS NEAR THE EDGE OF A RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY IN
14 THE PUENTE HILLS. HOW MANY RESIDENCES ARE WITHIN THAT 500-FOOT
15 RADIUS?

16

17 **DIANE ARANDA:** THERE ARE 123 RESIDENCES WITHIN A 500-FOOT
18 RADIUS.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BEYOND THE RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD, IS
21 IT VACANT LAND IN ALL DIRECTIONS? OR IS IT WHAT THEY CALL A
22 SCENIC AREA?

23

24 **DIANE ARANDA:** THERE ARE TWO WATER TANKS ON PROPERTIES THAT ARE
25 OWNED BY THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WATER COMPANY LOCATED



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1 APPROXIMATELY 60 FEET TO THE NORTH. AND THERE IS THE SOUTHERN
2 CALIFORNIA EDISON PRIVATE EASEMENT WITH TRANSMISSION TOWERS TO
3 THE EAST AND WEST. THERE IS VACANT LAND IN THE CITY OF
4 WHITTIER TO THE SOUTH.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THAT'S THE PUENTE HILLS NATIVE
7 LANDFILL NATIVE HABITAT AREA?

8

9 **DIANE ARANDA:** I BELIEVE SO.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE EXISTING LATTICE TOWER, DOES IT
12 CURRENTLY HAVE ANY WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT ON IT
13 OR UNDER IT?

14

15 **DIANE ARANDA:** NO.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO THIS PROJECT WILL INTRODUCE A NEW
18 LAND USE TO AN EXISTING LATTICE TOWER, AND NEW AESTHETICS
19 IMPACTS, SOMETHING THE COMMUNITY IS NOT USED TO SEEING ON THIS
20 PARTICULAR LATTICE TOWER BECAUSE IT'S NOT CURRENTLY THERE, IS
21 THAT CORRECT?

22

23 **DIANE ARANDA:** YES.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HOW HIGH ARE THE ANTENNAS INSTALLED? AND
2 THE DIMENSIONS OF THE ANTENNA ARRAYS?

3

4 **DIANE ARANDA:** TWO OF THE ANTENNA SECTORS ARE AT 42 FEET. AND
5 THE THIRD IS LOCATED AT 50 FEET. THE ANTENNA ARRAYS ARE 9 FEET
6 WIDE WITH A 3-FOOT SEPARATION BETWEEN THE ANTENNAS. AND THE
7 ANTENNAS ARE PARABOLIC PANEL ANTENNAS.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEY'RE PARABOLIC. SO HOW MANY ARE THERE
10 AND HOW FAR DO THEY PROTRUDE OR EXTEND FROM THE FACE OF THE
11 TOWER STRUCTURE?

12

13 **DIANE ARANDA:** THERE ARE 12 PANEL ANTENNAS AND THEY EXTEND
14 ABOUT 3 TO 5 FEET FROM THE TOWER.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WHAT ARE THE DIMENSIONS OF THE SOLID
17 CONCRETE BLOCK WALL EQUIPMENT ENCLOSURE?

18

19 **DIANE ARANDA:** THE SOLID CONCRETE BLOCK WALL IS 6 FEET HIGH.
20 IT'S 12 BY 25, AND 8 INCHES IN DEPTH.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO THEY'RE NOT REALLY SMALL STRUCTURES,
23 THEY'RE GOING TO BE VISIBLE.

24

25 **DIANE ARANDA:** YES.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HAVE YOU VISITED THE SITE AND THE
3 SURROUNDING AREA?

4

5 **DIANE ARANDA:** I HAVE.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND I HAVE THE PHOTOS HERE AND CAN SEE
8 THAT THE TOWER AND THE PROPOSED LOCATION ARE VERY VISIBLE FROM
9 THE SOUTH FRAME AVENUE AND OTHER ADJACENT PROPERTIES. AND YOU
10 PROBABLY WITNESSED THE SAME THING, IS THAT CORRECT?

11

12 **DIANE ARANDA:** YES.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HOW MANY ALTERNATIVES DID THE STAFF
15 RECEIVE FOR REVIEW FROM THE APPLICANT?

16

17 **DIANE ARANDA:** STAFF DID NOT FORMALLY REVIEW ALTERNATIVE SITES
18 BECAUSE THE ALTERNATIVE SITES PURSUED BY THE APPLICANT DID NOT
19 MEET T-MOBILE'S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR VARIOUS REASONS AS
20 STATED IN THE LETTER TO THE BOARD DATED OCTOBER 13TH, 2009.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO BASICALLY THE ANSWER IS ZERO BECAUSE
23 IT DIDN'T FIT, RIGHT?

24

25 **DIANE ARANDA:** YES.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WERE THESE THE SAME AS THE SITES
3 DESCRIBED IN THE APPLICANT'S RECENT LETTER TO THE BOARD DATED
4 OCTOBER 13TH?

5

6 **DIANE ARANDA:** YES.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE ARE TWO PARALLEL SETS OF EDISON
9 TRANSMISSION LINES TRAVERSING THROUGH THE EASEMENT. THERE'S
10 ANOTHER TOWER WITHIN 60 FEET OF THE PROPOSED SITE. A FEW OF
11 THE TOWERS NEAR THE PROPOSED SITE HAVE EXISTING ANTENNAS ON
12 THEM. AND MY STAFF MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF EDISON TO
13 EXPLORE THIS ISSUE. AND EDISON HAD ONLY BEEN APPROACHED BY THE
14 APPLICANT FOR TWO OF THE TOWERS IN THE AREA, NOT THREE OR ANY
15 OF THE OTHERS. DID YOU CONTACT EDISON TO VERIFY THE
16 APPLICANT'S INFORMATION REGARDING THE EDISON SITES?

17

18 **DIANE ARANDA:** I DID NOT CONTACT EDISON.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO WE HAVE OR DO YOU HAVE ANY ACCESS TO
21 TECHNICAL EXPERTS WHO CAN HELP YOU INDEPENDENTLY EVALUATE THE
22 ACCURACY OF THE APPLICANT'S SERVICE COVERAGE MAPS AND EVALUATE
23 ANY SERVICE GAPS?

24



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1 **DIANE ARANDA:** NO, THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING DOESN'T
2 HAVE ACCESS TO TECHNICAL EXPERTS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WHAT STEPS DID YOU TAKE TO LOOK INTO
5 THE CLAIMS BY THE APPELLANTS THAT COVERAGE EXISTS IN THE GAP
6 AREAS IDENTIFIED BY T-MOBILE?

7

8 **DIANE ARANDA:** I DID REVIEW THE COVERAGE MAP AND I DID SPEAK TO
9 THE APPLICANT AND THE R.F. ENGINEER. AND IT APPEARED THAT THAT
10 FACILITY WOULD MEET THEIR COVERAGE, THEIR SIGNIFICANT COVERAGE
11 GAP.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALSO AT THE REGIONAL PLANNING HEARING,
14 IN THE TRANSCRIPT, THE APPELLANTS TESTIFIED THAT THEY DROVE
15 WITH THE T-MOBILE COVERAGE MAPS AND HAD A T-MOBILE PHONE AND
16 GOT SERVICE IN THE GAP AREAS. DID WE TAKE THOSE CLAIMS
17 SERIOUSLY?

18

19 **DIANE ARANDA:** YES, WE DID. WE DID RECEIVE COVERAGE MAPS
20 SHOWING THAT THE DRIVE TEST, AS WELL.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE A QUESTION FOR COUNTY COUNSEL.
23 DOES THE BOARD HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO DENY THIS C.U.P. BASED ON
24 AESTHETICS AND LAND USE COMPATIBILITY ISSUES?

25



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1 **LARRY HAFETZ, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, YES, IN FACT YOU DO.
2 THE BOARD DOES HAVE THIS AUTHORITY. IN FACT, AS WAS EARLIER
3 DISCUSSED, THERE IS THIS RECENT CASE THAT EVEN CLARIFIES
4 FURTHER THE DISCRETION, THE PALOS VERDES ESTATES CASE, THE
5 DISCRETION THE BOARD HAS AND IS CERTAINLY ALLOWED TO LOOK AT
6 AESTHETIC IMPACTS, OTHER LAND USE COMPATIBILITY ISSUES LIKE
7 THEY WOULD IN ANY OTHER LAND USE MATTER. I WOULD JUST ADD THAT
8 WHILE IT IS TRUE THAT YOU CANNOT LOOK AT THE HEALTH EFFECTS
9 NECESSARILY, BUT THESE, THERE IS WIDE DISCRETION ON THE LAND
10 USE COMPATIBILITY SIDE, INCLUDING AESTHETICS. THE OTHER THING
11 I WOULD ADD IS THAT TO THE EXTENT THAT T-MOBILE WOULD HAVE ANY
12 CLAIM, IT WOULD BE ON THE EFFECT THAT OUR DENIAL WOULD HAVE
13 THE EFFECT OF PROHIBITING SERVICE. AND QUITE FRANKLY, I DIDN'T
14 SEE ANYTHING IN THE RECORD TO SUPPORT THAT CLAIM.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I HAVE SOME ADDITIONAL
17 COMMENTS FOR THE RECORD. EVERYONE ELSE TODAY USED THE RECORD
18 TO -- I'M SURE WHERE THIS IS GOING TO WIND UP. BUT REGARDING
19 THE AESTHETIC VISUAL IMPACTS, THE REGIONAL PLANNING
20 COMMISSION'S FINDING NO. 19 IS INCORRECT. THIS PROPOSED
21 PROJECT WILL HAVE AN ADVERSE VISUAL IMPACT ON THE SURROUNDING
22 NEIGHBORHOOD BECAUSE THE EQUIPMENT'S GOING TO BE NEW. I MEAN
23 BASICALLY IT'S NOT AN EXISTING TOWER, EXISTING LOCATION. AND
24 THE SITE AND THE COMMUNITY'S NOT USED TO SEEING, PHYSICALLY
25 SEEING ANYTHING ON THAT PARTICULAR TOWER AND IT WILL BE VERY,



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1 VERY VISIBLE. ALSO, ITEM NO. 20 APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT, AS
2 WELL, BECAUSE IT WILL SIGNIFICANTLY CHANGE AND IMPACT THE
3 AESTHETICS AND VISUAL HARMONY OF THE AREA. FINALLY, FINDING
4 NO. 22 I THINK IS INAPPROPRIATE. FIRST OF ALL, THE PLANNING
5 STAFF DID NOT INDEPENDENTLY VALIDATE THE TECHNICAL INFORMATION
6 SUBMITTED BY THE APPLICANT TO SHOW COVERAGE DEFICIENCY. AND SO
7 TO CONCLUDE THAT A COVERAGE GAP WITH NO TECHNICAL VERIFICATION
8 TO BACK THAT DECISION I THINK IS INAPPROPRIATE ONLY BECAUSE
9 YOU ALSO HAVE TRANSCRIPT TESTIMONY SAYING THEY DROVE THE AREA
10 WITH THE PHONE AND GOT COVERAGE. SO I JUST SAY THAT FOR THE
11 RECORD. I DO HAVE A MOTION RELATED TO THIS PARTICULAR ITEM.
12 AND BASED ON THE PROJECT INFORMATION SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD,
13 ALONG WITH TODAY'S TESTIMONY, IT IS CLEAR THAT THE PROPOSED
14 PROJECT HAS SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE AESTHETIC IMPACTS AND
15 COMPATIBILITY PROBLEMS WITH ITS SURROUNDINGS THAT I'M JUST NOT
16 WILLING TO IGNORE. ALSO, THE APPLICANT DID NOT PROVIDE
17 SUFFICIENT SITE ALTERNATIVES, NOR DID THE APPLICANT SHOW THAT
18 A SIGNIFICANT GAP IN COVERAGE WOULD OCCUR WITHOUT THE PROPOSED
19 PROJECT. SO I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
20 INDICATE ITS INTENT TO DENY PROJECT NO. 2007-02104-(4) AND
21 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NO. 2007-00149-(4) AND INSTRUCT
22 COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE FINDINGS FOR DENIAL OF THE
23 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND TO BRING BACK TO A FUTURE BOARD
24 MEETING FOR OUR CONSIDERATION. AND WOULD LOOK FOR A SECOND ON
25 THAT.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SECOND.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

5 ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OF STAFF OR COUNSEL?

6

7 **DIANE ARANDA:** NO.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OBJECTIONS? SO ORDERED. [APPLAUSE.]

10 OKAY. ITEM NO. 9 IS THE NEXT ONE, I BELIEVE?

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ACTUALLY WE'RE ON ITEM NO. 5. AND THIS IS
13 THE HEARING ON AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 22,
14 PLANNING AND ZONING, TO MODIFY PERMITTING PROCEDURES FOR FARM
15 WORKER HOUSING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EMPLOYEE HOUSING ACT.
16 THERE IS, I BELIEVE, A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS. AND NO
17 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. WE'RE ON ITEM NO. 5.

18

19 **CONNIE CHUNG:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE
20 BOARD HAVE MY NAME IS CONNIE CHUNG, I'M THE SUPERVISING
21 REGIONAL PLANNER IN THE HOUSING GENERAL PLAN SECTION AT THE
22 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THE PROPOSED FARM WORKER
23 HOUSING ORDINANCE AMENDS TITLE 22 OF THE L.A. COUNTY CODE TO
24 BRING THE COUNTY'S PROVISIONS FOR FARM WORKER HOUSING INTO
25 COMPLIANCE WITH THE STATE EMPLOYEE HOUSING ACT AND THE STATE



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1 HOUSING ELEMENT LAW. THE ORDINANCE IS AN IMPLEMENTATION
2 PROGRAM OF THE L.A. COUNTY HOUSING ELEMENT, WHICH YOUR BOARD
3 ADOPTED ON AUGUST 5TH OF 2008, AND WHICH THE STATE DEPARTMENT
4 OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CERTIFIED SHORTLY
5 THEREAFTER. THE STAFF PREPARED A COMPREHENSIVE BACKGROUND
6 REPORT, WHICH INCLUDES AN ASSESSMENT OF FARM WORKER HOUSING
7 NEEDS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
8 ORDINANCE. THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE APPLIES TO ALL
9 UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF L.A. COUNTY. HOWEVER, THE STAFF
10 RESEARCH HAS FOUND THAT FUTURE FARM WORKER HOUSING PROJECTS
11 ARE MOST LIKELY TO BE LOCATED IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, SANTA
12 CLARITA VALLEY AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, WHERE
13 AGRICULTURAL USES ARE PRESENTLY ACTIVE. THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE
14 PERMITS TWO TYPES OF FARM WORKER HOUSING IN ZONES THAT PERMIT
15 AGRICULTURAL USES AND SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL USES, EITHER
16 THROUGH A DISCRETIONARY OR NONDISCRETIONARY PROCEDURE. FARM
17 WORKER DWELLING UNITS ARE SINGLE-FAMILY STRUCTURES AND HOUSE
18 FIVE TO SIX FARM WORKERS. FARM WORKER HOUSING COMPLEXES ARE
19 CONVENTIONAL AND NONCONVENTIONAL STRUCTURES THAT CONSIST OF NO
20 MORE THAN 12 RESIDENTIAL UNITS OR SPACES FOR USE BY FARM
21 WORKERS AND THEIR HOUSEHOLDS, OR GROUP LIVING QUARTERS SUCH AS
22 BUNK HOUSES, ACCOMMODATING NO MORE THAN 36 BEDS FOR USE BY
23 FARM WORKERS. FARM WORKER DWELLING UNITS ARE PROHIBITED IN
24 AIRPORT INFLUENCE AREAS AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE HABITAT
25 AREAS OR E.S.H.A.S. FARM WORKER HOUSING COMPLEXES ARE



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1 PROHIBITED IN AIRPORT INFLUENCE AREAS, E.S.H.A.S, AND VERY
2 HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES. FURTHERMORE, FARM WORKER
3 HOUSING COMPLEXES ARE SUBJECT TO THE HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT AND
4 SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREA CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS. ALL
5 FUTURE FARM WORKER HOUSING WILL BE SUBJECT TO ALL COUNTY AND
6 STATE REGULATIONS, AND WILL REQUIRE THE APPROPRIATE PERMITS
7 AND APPROVALS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF REGIONAL PLANNING,
8 PUBLIC WORKS, FIRE, PUBLIC HEALTH, AS WELL AS THE STATE OF
9 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
10 THE ORDINANCE DOES NOT MODIFY PARKING STANDARDS FOR
11 RESIDENTIAL USES FOR FARM WORKER HOUSING WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
12 THE ALLOWANCE OF TANDEM AND UNCOVERED PARKING. IN ADDITION,
13 FOR FARM WORKER HOUSING COMPLEXES THAT ARE GROUP LIVING
14 QUARTERS, THE ORDINANCE ADDS A REQUIREMENT FOR ONE PARKING
15 SPACE FOR EVERY THREE BEDS. IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBJECT TO
16 EXISTING DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR RESIDENTIAL LAND USES, FARM
17 WORKER DWELLING UNITS AND FARM WORKER HOUSING COMPLEXES ARE
18 REQUIRED TO LOCATE AT LEAST 75 FEET FROM BARNS, PENS AND OTHER
19 STRUCTURES THAT HOUSE LIVESTOCK OR POULTRY, AND 50 FEET FROM
20 AGRICULTURAL USES. THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND
21 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IS THE AGENCY CHARGED WITH MONITORING
22 AND ENFORCING THE EMPLOYEE HOUSING ACT. IN ADDITION, THE
23 ORDINANCE REQUIRES A COVENANT AND AGREEMENT AND AN ANNUAL
24 VERIFICATION FORM TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO
25 ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ORDINANCE. TODAY WE ASK YOUR BOARD



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1 TO CONSIDER THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION, TOGETHER WITH ANY
2 COMMENTS RECEIVED, AND FIND ON THE BASIS OF THE WHOLE RECORD
3 BEFORE THE BOARD THAT THERE IS NO SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT
4 THE PROJECT WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT,
5 FIND THAT THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION REFLECTS THE INDEPENDENT
6 JUDGMENT AND ANALYSIS OF THE BOARD AND ADOPT THE NEGATIVE
7 DECLARATION. IN ADDITION, WE ASK THAT YOUR BOARD APPROVE THE
8 RECOMMENDATION OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO AMEND
9 THE COUNTY CODE TO MODIFY PERMITTING PROCEDURES FOR FARM
10 WORKER HOUSING AS OUTLINED IN THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE. FINALLY,
11 WE ASK THAT YOUR BOARD INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE
12 ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 22 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE REGIONAL
13 PLANNING COMMISSION. THAT CONCLUDES STAFF'S PRESENTATION.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF? COUNSEL, DO YOU
16 HAVE A STATEMENT? OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US, THEN. IS THERE
17 A PUBLIC HEARING?

18

19 **SACHI HAMAI:** NO.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY --
22 PARDON ME? MOVE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. SO ORDERED. MOVED
23 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

25



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARING
2 ITEMS. WE'RE BACK TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WOULD IT BE APPROPRIATE FOR MR.
5 RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR, WOULD YOU LIKE TO READ IN YOUR?

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. WE HAVE YET
8 ANOTHER WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ON
9 THE DAY OF OCTOBER THE 30TH. AND MY OBJECTIVE HERE IS TO HAVE
10 US PROCLAIM THAT DAY AS "AMERICA I AM" DAY. FROM THE 30TH OF
11 OCTOBER UNTIL THE 15TH OF APRIL, THE CALIFORNIA STATE AFRICAN
12 AMERICAN MUSEUM IN EXPOSITION PARK, ALONG WITH THE CALIFORNIA
13 SCIENCE CENTER, WILL HOST "AMERICA I AM," THE AFRICAN AMERICAN
14 IMPRINT TRAVELING EXHIBIT. LOS ANGELES IS THE THIRD STOP IN A
15 10-CITY TOUR. AND IT WILL BE FOLLOWING PHILADELPHIA, ATLANTA.
16 AND THE EXHIBIT WILL CONTINUE TO TRAVEL ACROSS THE UNITED
17 STATES FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS. "AMERICA I AM" IS AN
18 INTERACTIVE, MULTIMEDIA EXPERIENCE WHICH CHRONICLES THE 500-
19 YEAR JOURNEY OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN STRUGGLE TO TRIUMPH
20 THROUGH RARE ARTIFACTS, MEMORABILIA, DOCUMENTS, PHOTOS AND
21 MUSIC. MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, THIS IS TRULY AN
22 EXTRAORDINARY EXHIBIT. THOSE NOTABLE ARTIFACTS INCLUDE THE
23 DOORS TO THE CAPE COAST CASTLE IN GHANA, ALEX HALEY'S
24 TYPEWRITER USED TO TYPE "ROOTS," THE PERSONAL EFFECTS OF
25 MALCOLM X, AND MANY, MANY, MANY RATHER INTERESTING AND



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1 REMARKABLE ARTIFACTS, SOME SIMPLY STELLAR, THAT GOES TO THE
2 NATION'S VERY FOUNDING. THE EXHIBIT ALSO ENCOMPASSES AN
3 EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT DEVELOPED BY NOTED EDUCATORS WHICH
4 RESPONDS IN PART TO A QUESTION POSED BY W.[E.] B. DUBOIS IN
5 THE YEAR 1903. THIS IS A TIME-HONORED QUESTION, AND IT GOES TO
6 THE HEART OF THE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE, PARTICULARLY AS IT
7 RELATES TO AFRICAN AMERICANS. WOULD AMERICA HAVE BEEN AMERICA
8 WITHOUT HER NEGRO PEOPLE IS THE QUESTION THAT DR. DUBOIS
9 POSED? LESSON PLANS, SUPPLEMENTAL ACTIVITIES AND AN EXTENSIVE
10 BIBLIOGRAPHY ARE INCLUDED, AND A TEACHER'S GUIDE, WHICH ARE
11 AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.AMERICA I AM.ORG. THIS EXTRAORDINARY
12 EXHIBIT, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, IS THE BRAINCHILD OF
13 TAVIS SMILEY, WHO WE'VE HAD HERE IN OUR BOARDROOM. YOU KNOW
14 TAVIS AS A BROADCASTER, AUTHOR, ADVOCATE AND A PHILANTHROPIST.
15 AND THROUGH HIS ACTIVITIES, CONTINUES TO BE A VOICE ON MATTERS
16 OF THIS SORT THAT ENLIVEN THE PUBLIC DEBATE, RAISE THE CIVIC
17 I.Q., AND AT THE SAME TIME CAUSES PEOPLE TO HAVE A DEEPER AND
18 MORE PROFOUND UNDERSTANDING OF EACH OTHER'S HISTORIES. IT IS
19 ANTICIPATED THAT IN LOS ANGELES ALONE, "AMERICA I AM" WILL
20 TOUCH AND INFLUENCE OVER 1 MILLION VISITORS AND SCHOOL
21 CHILDREN. THE EXHIBIT ENDEAVORS TO BRING TOGETHER PEOPLE OF
22 ALL CULTURES, AGES AND BACKGROUNDS, AND ALL RESIDENTS AND
23 VISITORS TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY RIGHT THERE IN A VENUE IN
24 EXPOSITION PARK WITH WHICH WE ARE ALL QUITE FAMILIAR AND
25 EQUALLY PROUD. SO, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT



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1 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAIM OCTOBER 30TH, 2009 AS
2 "AMERICA I AM" DAY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, TO DIRECT THE
3 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO INCLUDE A MESSAGE IN THE COUNTY PAYCHECK
4 OR WARRANT FOR THE LAST PAY PERIOD IN JANUARY OR FOR THE FIRST
5 PAY PERIOD IN FEBRUARY TO ENCOURAGE COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO VISIT
6 THE EXHIBIT DURING AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH IN
7 FEBRUARY. ADDITIONALLY, TO ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS AND VISITORS TO
8 LOS ANGELES TO VISIT "AMERICA I AM" EXHIBIT IN EXPOSITION PARK
9 FROM THE 30TH OF OCTOBER THROUGH THE 15TH OF APRIL OF NEXT
10 YEAR. AND, FINALLY, TO ENCOURAGE EDUCATORS TO VISIT THE
11 WEBSITE, WWW.AMERICAIAM.ORG, TO ACCESS LESSON PLANS WHICH WILL
12 BE HELPFUL IN TEACHING OUR YOUTH ABOUT THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND
13 ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF AFRICAN AMERICANS TO THIS GREAT COUNTRY.
14 MR. CHAIRMAN, I SO MOVE AND REQUEST A SECOND.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT. WITHOUT
17 OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER ITEMS YOU'D LIKE TO CALL UP?

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOT AT THIS TIME. THE OTHER ITEM I WANT TO
24 ADDRESS IS ALREADY SET.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY
2 ADJOURNMENTS?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE TWO ADJOURNING MOTIONS. FIRST, ASK
5 THAT WE WOULD ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SOUPY SALES, COMEDIAN AND
6 TELEVISION HOST IN LOS ANGELES, DETROIT, AND NEW YORK FROM THE
7 1950S THROUGH THE 1980S, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE
8 OF 83. I THINK EVERYONE REMEMBERS SOUPY SALES, CERTAINLY
9 PEOPLE OF OUR AGE GROUP DO. HE ELEVATED THE OLD PIE-IN-THE-
10 FACE GAG TO AN ART FORM. FRANK SINATRA AND TONY CURTIS WERE
11 AMONG HIS MANY CELEBRITY VICTIMS. WITH HIS GANG OF WISE-
12 CRACKING PUPPETS, HIS SHOW'S ANARCHY APPEALED TO KIDS, BUT HIS
13 SLY AND SUBVERSIVE HUMOR OFFERED PLENTY FOR ADULTS TO ENJOY,
14 AS WELL. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 29 YEARS, TRUDY CARSON
15 SALES, TWO SONS BY A FORMER MARRIAGE, TONY AND HUNT, A BROTHER
16 AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, CALI, SUGAR, VALENTINA AND TONY. YOU
17 WANT ALL MEMBERS ON THAT? ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
18 OF MARIE CORONADO, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF PICO RIVERA WHO
19 RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE UNTIMELY AGE OF 35. SHE WAS THE
20 DAUGHTER OF RETIRED LONGTIME MEMBER OF THE COUNTY FAMILY, ED
21 CORONADO, WHO SERVED FOR MANY YEARS AS DEPUTY TO SUPERVISOR ED
22 EDELMAN'S OFFICE AND LATER AS AN ASSISTANT IN THE COUNTY'S
23 PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER FOUR YOUNG
24 CHILDREN, CHRISTIAN, AUDREY, JEREMIAH AND ALEA; HER FATHER, ED
25 CORONADO, SR., AND BROTHER, ED CORONADO, JR. I WANTED TO ASK



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1 THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH PEOPLE TO
2 COME UP JUST TO GIVE US AN UPDATE ON THE H1N1.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I HELD THAT UNDER A-1 SO WE'LL CALL THEM
5 UP NOW.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TAKE IT UNDER A-1 THEN.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE ON THE SAME THING.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FIRST OF ALL, WHY DON'T YOU GIVE US AN
12 UPDATE ON WHERE YOU ARE AND WHERE WE ARE ON THIS, HOW IT'S
13 GONE SINCE FRIDAY AND WHAT THE PATH FORWARD IS. AND THEN I
14 HAVE SOME QUESTIONS I WANT TO ASK.

15

16 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** CERTAINLY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THANK
17 YOU, BOARD. GOOD MORNING, I'M JONATHAN FIELDING, DIRECTOR OF
18 PUBLIC HEALTH. WE HAVE A LOT OF FLU IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
19 WE'VE HAD 65 DEATHS. LAST WEEK, WE HAD 171 HOSPITALIZATIONS.
20 THAT'S ONLY WITH 57 PERCENT OF THE HOSPITALS REPORTING. AND WE
21 HAD 37 DIFFERENT OUTBREAKS OF FLU-LIKE ILLNESS. AND ALMOST ALL
22 OF THOSE WILL TURN OUT TO BE H1N1. SO WE HAVE A MODERATELY
23 SEVERE AMOUNT OF FLU AS WE BASICALLY WOULD BE LIKE THE PEAK OF
24 A FAIRLY HEAVY FLU YEAR, NOT THE WORST, BUT FAIRLY HEAVY.
25 WHAT'S VERY DIFFERENT IS TWO THINGS. NUMBER ONE IS IT'S MUCH



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1 EARLIER THAN WE EVER SEE. THIS IS UNPRECEDENTED. AND SECONDLY,
2 IT AFFECTS YOUNGER PEOPLE AND PREGNANT WOMEN TO A GREATER
3 DEGREE THAN THE SEASONAL FLU. SO OUR FOCUS HAS BEEN PROTECTING
4 THE MOST VULNERABLE GROUPS FOR THE COMPLICATIONS AND LIFE-
5 THREATENING ILLNESS. OVER THE LAST FOUR DAYS, WE WERE ENGAGED
6 IN THE LARGEST MOBILIZATION IN OUR HISTORY AS A DEPARTMENT.
7 FROM FRIDAY THROUGH THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS YESTERDAY, WE GAVE
8 OVER 46,000 VACCINE ADMINISTRATIONS IN 26 CLINICS THROUGHOUT
9 THE COUNTY. AND VACCINATIONS ARE, OF COURSE, THE MOST
10 EFFECTIVE WAY TO PREVENT THE FLU, HYGIENE BEING ALSO
11 IMPORTANT. IT'S PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT FOR THOSE IN THE TARGET
12 GROUPS TO GET VACCINATED. THEY'RE AT HIGH RISK OF
13 HOSPITALIZATION, OF ADMISSION TO THE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT AND,
14 UNFORTUNATELY, OF DEATH.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DON'T YOU REPEAT WHAT THOSE GROUPS ARE.

17

18 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THE SIX GROUPS ARE THOSE WHO CARE FOR
19 CHILDREN UNDER SIX MONTHS OF AGE, YOUNG CHILDREN AND YOUNG
20 ADULTS AND OLDER CHILDREN. SO TOTAL FROM SIX MONTHS TO 24
21 YEARS, PREGNANT WOMEN WHO ARE SIX TO NINE TIMES AS LIKELY TO
22 HAVE COMPLICATIONS OF THIS DISEASE AS NONPREGNANT WOMEN. THOSE
23 25 TO 64 THAT HAVE UNDERLYING PROBLEMS LIKE CARDIOVASCULAR
24 PROBLEMS, RESPIRATORY PROBLEMS, IMMUNE SYSTEM PROBLEMS, KIDNEY
25 PROBLEMS AND THE LIKE BECAUSE THEY'RE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE



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1 COMPLICATIONS. HEALTHCARE WORKERS WHO INTERFACE WITH PATIENTS
2 AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE WORKERS. THOSE ARE THE HIGH-RISK
3 POPULATIONS. OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE THIS VACCINE HAS BEEN
4 SEVERELY LIMITED BY THE SLOWER-THAN-EXPECTED VACCINE
5 PRODUCTION AND DELIVERY TO US. AND WE ALSO HAVE SEEN AN
6 INCREASE IN DEMAND BECAUSE ON ONE HAND THOSE WITH INSURANCE
7 HAVE BEEN CALLING THEIR PROVIDERS AND FINDING OUT THAT IN MANY
8 CASES THE PROVIDERS STILL DON'T HAVE THE VACCINE, AND IN SOME
9 CASES BEING REFERRED DIRECTLY TO OUR CLINICS. AND THE OTHER IS
10 THE PRESIDENTIAL DECLARATION OF A NATIONAL EMERGENCY. I WAS AT
11 COMPTON THIS MORNING, ONE OF OUR FOUR CLINICS TODAY. AND A
12 NUMBER OF PEOPLE TOLD ME THEY CAME BECAUSE THEY HEARD IT WAS A
13 NATIONAL EMERGENCY AND THEY FIGURED THEY BETTER GET THEIR
14 VACCINE NOW. SO WE'VE SEEN A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN DEMAND
15 OVER THESE PAST FOUR OR FIVE DAYS. THE INITIAL -- WE WERE
16 SUPPOSED TO HAVE 40 MILLION -- NATIONALLY THERE WERE SUPPOSED
17 TO BE 40 MILLION DOSES OF VACCINE PROVIDED NATIONALLY BY THIS
18 TIME. AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS THUS FAR ONLY 11 MILLION. SO
19 WE'VE GOTTEN NATIONALLY MAYBE A QUARTER OF WHAT WAS EXPECTED.
20 AND THIS SHORTAGE HAS HAD A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE
21 AVAILABILITY OF VACCINE IN OUR COUNTY AS THE REST OF THE
22 COUNTRY. AS OF LAST WEEK, WE'D RECEIVED 300,000 DOSES OF H1N1
23 VACCINE IN BOTH THE NASAL FORM AND INJECTABLE. APPROXIMATELY
24 220,000 DOSES OF THIS WERE DISTRIBUTED TO PRIVATE PROVIDERS.
25 AND YET MANY PRIVATE PROVIDERS DID NOT GET ANY, IT WASN'T



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1 DISTRIBUTED EVENLY. AND 80,000 WAS ALLOCATED TO US FOR OUR
2 VACCINE CLINICS. FOR THIS WEEK, WE WILL RECEIVE IN LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY AN ESTIMATED 94,000 DOSES, 58,000 OF WHICH WILL GO TO
4 PRIVATE PROVIDERS AND 38,000 -- 36,000 WILL GO TO US, JUST
5 ENOUGH TO MINIMALLY MEET THE DEMAND OF THE CLINICS THAT WE'VE
6 ALREADY SCHEDULED, WHICH WE SCHEDULED UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WE
7 THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE MORE VACCINE. ONE OF THE
8 PROBLEMS IS THE UNPREDICTABILITY. WE'RE NOT TOLD WHEN WE MIGHT
9 BE ABLE TO ORDER AGAIN OR HOW MUCH WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ORDER.
10 SO WE'RE OPERATING UNDER HIGH LEVELS OF UNCERTAINTY. ALTHOUGH
11 THE MAJORITY OF THE PERSONS IN THE TARGET GROUP HAVE HEALTH
12 INSURANCE AND THE MAJORITY OF VACCINES HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED TO
13 PRIVATE PROVIDERS, THE CURRENT SUPPLY IS CERTAINLY INADEQUATE.
14 IT'S GOING TO TAKE A NUMBER OF WEEKS FOR THE VACCINE
15 PRODUCTION TO CATCH UP WITH THE DEMAND. WE ALSO HAD EXPECTED
16 IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE TO HAVE A NUMBER OF PHARMACIES WHO
17 WANTED TO PARTICIPATE MAKE VACCINE AVAILABLE. BUT TO MY
18 KNOWLEDGE THAT HAS NOT OCCURRED YET AND WE DON'T HAVE SPECIFIC
19 WORD ON WHEN IT MIGHT OCCUR. IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT
20 THERE ARE TWO PREDOMINANT FORMS OF THE VACCINE. THERE'S THE
21 NASAL FORM. THAT CAN ONLY BE ADMINISTERED TO WELL PEOPLE AGE 2
22 TO 49, NOT PREGNANT, AND NO RESPIRATORY PROBLEMS, OTHERWISE
23 HEALTHY, NO UNDERLYING CONDITIONS. AND THE INJECTABLE FORM,
24 AND THERE ARE TWO FORMS OF THE INJECTABLE. THE PRESERVATIVE-
25 FREE VACCINE, WHICH IS A PREFERENCE OF MANY PREGNANT WOMEN IS



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1 IN VERY SHORT SUPPLY. WE HAVE ON AVERAGE ONLY ABOUT 60 DOSES
2 FOR EACH ONE OF OUR CLINICS. HOWEVER, I WOULD POINT OUT THAT
3 THE REGULAR VACCINE IS RECOMMENDED FOR PREGNANT WOMEN AS FOR
4 YOUNG CHILDREN. IN TERMS OF THE CLINICS, WE KICKED OFF OUR
5 CLINICS LAST FRIDAY WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SINCE
6 FRIDAY, WE'VE CONDUCTED 26 CLINICS THROUGH YESTERDAY, FOUR
7 MORE TODAY, SO A TOTAL OF 30. WE GAVE 46,500 IMMUNIZATIONS,
8 NOT COUNTING TODAY. TODAY WE EXPECT TO GIVE ANOTHER 10,000. SO
9 WE WILL HAVE GONE PROBABLY AROUND 57,000 BY THE END OF TODAY.
10 BECAUSE IN THE BEGINNING WE WERE ABLE TO REALLOCATE SUPPLY, WE
11 HAD SOME PLACES WITH HIGH DEMAND, SOME PLACES WITH LOW DEMAND,
12 WE WERE ABLE TO REALLOCATE WITHIN THE NUMBER OF VACCINE UNITS
13 THAT WE EXPECTED TO DELIVER IN A GIVEN DAY. HOWEVER, THE LINES
14 HAVE GOTTEN LONGER. THE DEMANDS HAVE GOTTEN LARGER, AND
15 THEREFORE WE MADE A DECISION WE HAD TO REALLY LIMIT THOSE THAT
16 WERE GETTING THE VACCINE TO THOSE IN THOSE SIX PRIORITY GROUPS
17 THAT I ELABORATED JUST BEFORE. SO WE'RE DOING A VERY CAREFUL
18 SCREENING PROCESS. I WAS DOING THAT THIS MORNING STARTING
19 AROUND 6:15 AT COMPTON. SO PEOPLE WHO ARE 25 TO 64 THAT DON'T
20 HAVE AN UNDERLYING HEALTH PROBLEM, PEOPLE 65 AND OVER ARE NOT
21 IN THIS GROUP. AND WE'RE ASKING THEM TO COME BACK AT A TIME
22 WHEN WE HAVE MORE VACCINE. SO WE'RE BASICALLY SAYING WE DON'T
23 HAVE VACCINE FOR YOU TODAY. AND WHEN WE EXPLAIN THAT IT'S
24 BECAUSE THOSE OTHERS ARE HIGHER RISK, IT'S NOT LIKE THE
25 SEASONAL FLU. IT'S A DIFFERENT KIND. AND IT'S THE KIDS WHO ARE



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1 AT HIGHEST RISK AND PREGNANT WOMEN AND PEOPLE WITH UNDERLYING
2 PROBLEMS WHO ARE YOUNGER, PEOPLE UNDERSTAND. THEY DON'T WANT
3 TO TAKE A DOSE AWAY FROM SOMEBODY THAT COULD POTENTIALLY BE
4 LIFESAVING FOR SOMEBODY AT HIGHER RISK.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HOW DO YOU VALIDATE THE FACT THAT THEY
7 DON'T HAVE INSURANCE?

8

9 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE HAVE NOT, AT THIS POINT, TRIED TO
10 SCREEN OUT FOR INSURANCE VERSUS LACK OF INSURANCE. WE HAD
11 ORIGINALLY SET THESE UP ASSUMING THE PRIVATE SECTOR WOULD HAVE
12 PLENTY OF VACCINE AND THIS WOULD BE FOR PEOPLE THAT DIDN'T
13 HAVE ANOTHER SOURCE OF HEALTH CARE. BUT AT THIS POINT, SINCE
14 THE PRIVATE SECTOR CONTINUES TO HAVE VERY, VERY LITTLE VACCINE
15 AND IT'S SPOTTY AND PEOPLE SAY "WE'VE ASKED THEM TO CALL." IF
16 THEY HAVEN'T CALLED. WE SAY "CALL YOUR PROVIDER." BUT IF THEY
17 SAY, "I'VE CALLED THREE TIMES, THEY DON'T HAVE ANY," WE GO
18 AHEAD AND TREAT THEM BECAUSE THEY ARE JUST AS HIGH RISK AS
19 THOSE WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST ON THAT POINT?

22

23 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** SURE.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE WERE 300,000 VACCINES THAT WERE
2 DELIVERED TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CORRECT? OF WHICH 86 OR
3 THEREABOUTS IF MY MEMORY SERVES ME CORRECT, THOUSAND WAS GOING
4 TO BE USED BY US, AND THE BALANCE WAS GOING TO BE DISTRIBUTED
5 TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

6

7 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WAS DISTRIBUTED.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WAS. SO WHY IS IT THAT THERE'S NO VACCINE IN
10 THE PRIVATE SECTOR?

11

12 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, IT ISN'T THAT THERE'S NO VACCINE.
13 IT'S JUST THERE'S VERY LITTLE VACCINE. IF YOU LOOK AT THE
14 PRIORITY GROUPS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, TOGETHER THOSE GROUPS
15 CONSTITUTE ABOUT 5-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE, MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF
16 THE TOTAL. SO WHEN YOU PUT THAT 300,000 AGAINST THE 5-1/2
17 MILLION, THAT'S A VERY SMALL PERCENTAGE.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. BUT THEY HAVE THREE OR FOUR TIMES
20 MORE VACCINE THAN WE DO ONCE THE ALLOCATION IS MADE.

21

22 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES. RIGHT. THERE ARE A LOT OF THEM,
23 THERE ARE OVER 3,000 PROVIDERS AS OF THE END OF LAST WEEK THAT
24 HAD SIGNED UP TO GET VACCINE. AND THERE'S LIMITED ORDER
25 QUANTITIES. THEY WON'T DELIVER TINY ORDERS. SO THEY ARE



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1 DELIVERING THE MINIMUM ORDER QUANTITY TO A SUBSET OF THOSE
2 3,000 PLUS PROVIDERS. AS OF LAST WEEK, WE UNDERSTOOD THAT
3 THERE WERE ABOUT 400 PROVIDERS THAT HAD GOTTEN SOME VACCINE.
4 BUT THE AMOUNT OF VACCINE THEY'VE GOTTEN IS VERY, VERY SMALL.
5 IN SOME CASES, WE KNOW PEOPLE WHO HAVE CALLED THEIR -- I HEARD
6 TODAY FROM TWO PEOPLE WHO SAID "I CALLED MY PEDIATRICIAN. THEY
7 HAD VACCINE. I WAS ABLE TO GET IT. BUT THE OTHER PEDIATRICIANS
8 THAT I KNOW DON'T HAVE IT." ONE CASE, SOMEBODY CALLED SOMEBODY
9 WHO WAS AT A HOSPITAL AND THE OTHER PHYSICIANS AT THAT
10 HOSPITAL DIDN'T HAVE IT AND THEY HAD IT. SO UNFORTUNATELY,
11 IT'S STILL HIT OR MISS.

12

13 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD JOHN.

16

17 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** JOHN FRIEDMAN, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. IN
18 ADDITION, WE STEERED MORE OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR SHARE TO THE
19 HOSPITALS SO THAT THE HEALTHCARE WORKERS WOULD BE OPTIMALLY
20 VACCINATED FIRST. SO THAT'S A COMPONENT OF IT. SO IT'S NOT
21 EVENLY DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT ALL PRIVATE PROVIDERS. FOR
22 INSTANCE, KAISER ALSO DID RECEIVE A SHARE, BUT THEY HAVE AN
23 INTERNAL CYCLE TIME IN ORDER TO STAND UP THEIR VACCINATION
24 EFFORTS.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE QUESTION I HAVE IS WHEN I GET A CALL
2 FROM SOMEBODY THAT SAYS "I'M IN THE HIGH RISK GROUP, I HAVE
3 ASTHMA OR DIABETES OR KIDNEY TROUBLE AND I'M 45 YEARS OLD OR
4 I'M PREGNANT OR WHATEVER HIGH RISK CATEGORY IS, AND MY DOCTOR
5 DOESN'T HAVE ANY," SHOULD WE DIRECT -- SHOULD WE ENCOURAGE
6 THEM TO COME TO OUR PODS, TO OUR SITES?

7

8 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES. THE ANSWER IS YES. WE CAN'T
9 GUARANTEE, DEPENDING UPON THE SIZE OF THE LINE AND EVERYTHING,
10 BUT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO AT THIS POINT, WE'RE ABLE TO
11 ACCOMMODATE THOSE IN THE HIGH RISK GROUPS. WE'LL SEE. WE HAVE
12 FOUR CLINICS TODAY AND ONE OF THE CLINICS IS IN POMONA AND
13 THEY HAVE A VERY LONG LINE. WELL OVER 1,000 PEOPLE. WHEN I
14 LEFT COMPTON, THEY HAD 350. THAT'S EARLY IN THE DAY. WE HAVE
15 TO SEE. I THINK THE OTHER THING IS THIS IS UNPRECEDENTED. AND
16 WE CAN'T REALLY PREDICT THE DEMAND AT DIFFERENT SITES. SO
17 WE'RE LEARNING HOW TO DO THAT BY HAVING THE EXPERIENCE. AND I
18 THINK THAT OVER TIME, WE'VE ALSO GOTTEN MORE EFFICIENT. WE ARE
19 LEARNING EVERY DAY. WE CAN DO A BETTER JOB I THINK TODAY THAN
20 WE COULD EVEN THREE OR FOUR DAYS AGO. BUT HAVING SAID THAT,
21 I'M REALLY VERY PROUD OF THE STAFF THAT HAVE WORKED ON THIS
22 HAVE DONE, IN MY VIEW, AN INCREDIBLE JOB. I WAS TALKING TO A
23 REPORTER FROM ONE OF THE NETWORKS WHO HAD BEEN CHECKING OTHER
24 PLACES AND SAID OTHER PLACES PEOPLE HAD NO IDEA WHERE TO GO.
25 THEY SAW THAT THEIR OWN GROUPS DIDN'T HAVE IT, AND THERE WAS



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1 NOTHING ON THE WEBSITE FOR THE COUNTIES OR OTHER TO TELL THEM
2 WHAT TO DO. AND THEY DIDN'T SEEM TERRIBLY WELL ORGANIZED IN
3 TERMS OF THE CLINICS. AND YOU SEEM TO BE VERY WELL-ORGANIZED.
4 SO I DON'T HAVE A FRAME OF REFERENCE BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN
5 FOCUSED HERE. BUT I'M REALLY PROUD OF THE WORK THAT'S BEEN
6 DONE. HAVING SAID THAT, THERE ARE CERTAIN THINGS WE COULD HAVE
7 DONE BETTER. WE'RE WORKING HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T
8 MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE TWICE, WHETHER IT'S TRYING TO DO A
9 DRIVE-THRU AS WE DID WITH OUR PARTNERS IN REDONDO BEACH OR
10 WHETHER IT'S INADEQUATE PARKING OR WHATEVER. BUT WE'RE WORKING
11 WITH THE SITES THAT WE HAD ALREADY RE-POSITIONED AS SITES THAT
12 WE COULD DO MASS PROPHYLAXIS IF NECESSARY. 100 SITES THAT WE
13 HAD ALREADY PREPLANNED AND WE'RE WORKING WITH THE CITIES. WE
14 HAVE GOOD COOPERATION FROM L.A. CITY. TODAY, FOR EXAMPLE, WE
15 WERE OUT AT EL CAMINO, COMPTON CENTER AND WE HAD GOOD
16 COOPERATION FROM THAT COLLEGE. AND WE HAD NURSING STUDENTS AND
17 OTHERS. SO WE'RE GETTING A LOT OF VERY, VERY GOOD COOPERATION.
18 WE'VE HAD 2,000 STAFF WORKING ON THIS, 900 CLINICAL AND OVER
19 1,000 NONCLINICAL. THAT'S JUST THROUGH THE END OF YESTERDAY.
20 AND I'VE BEEN THERE EVERY DAY USUALLY STARTING AROUND A LITTLE
21 AFTER 6:00. AND IT'S AMAZING HOW WELL THINGS HAVE COME
22 TOGETHER. A LOT OF LOGISTICS THAT HAVE TO BE PUT TOGETHER TO
23 MAKE ONE OF THESE CLINICS WORK. AND THEY STARTED ON TIME. I
24 WANT TO THANK AGAIN OUR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, WHICH
25 HAS BEEN VERY HELPFUL TO US, THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS, THE



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1 HOST CITIES, ESPECIALLY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE
2 WERE -- WE CONTINUE TO CONDUCT A MEDIA CAMPAIGN TO EDUCATE THE
3 RESIDENTS ABOUT FLU HYGIENE, ABOUT PREVENTING IT THROUGH
4 HYGIENE METHODS. AND OUR WEBSITE HAS UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION IN
5 ENGLISH AND IN SPANISH ON THE CLINICS AND ON FLU HYGIENE, AS
6 WELL AS A LINK TO OUR YOUTUBE SITE WITH MORE INFORMATION. AT
7 THIS POINT, WE HAD PLANNED TO HAVE ADS ON TELEVISION AND RADIO
8 WHICH HAD BEEN COMPLETED. WE'RE READY TO GO OUT ON THE AIR
9 URGING PEOPLE AT HIGH RISK TO GET THE VACCINE. WE'VE PULLED
10 THOSE ADS BECAUSE THE DEMAND IS ALREADY AT A LEVEL THAT WE'RE
11 NOT SURE WE CAN FULLY MEET. SO WE'RE HOLDING THOSE IN ABEYANCE
12 UNTIL THERE'S MORE VACCINE. I THINK THAT'S -- AND WE ALSO
13 PARTNERED WITH 211. A NUMBER OF PEOPLE TOLD ME THEY HAD CALLED
14 211 AND HAD GOTTEN ACCURATE INFORMATION FROM THEM. SO THAT'S
15 MY REPORT. I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME ASK YOU, FIRST OF ALL, WHAT IS -- DO
18 YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON WHEN THE NEXT BATCH OF VACCINE'S
19 COMING?

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21 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE ARE GETTING 94,000 DOSES THIS WEEK.
22 BUT IN TERMS OF WHEN WE CAN ORDER MORE? WE DO NOT KNOW WHEN
23 THE WINDOW OPENS OR HOW MUCH WILL BE ALLOWED TO ORDER OR HOW
24 IT WILL BE DIVIDED BETWEEN THE NASAL SPRAY AND THE INJECTABLE.



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THE 94,000 IS ON TOP OF THE 300,000?

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3 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO AS OF NOW, AS OF WHAT YOU KNOW NOW, WHEN
6 WILL YOU CEASE THE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM?

7

8 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, WE HAD PLANNED TO GO THROUGH THE
9 END OF THE YEAR. BUT WE WANTED TO -- WE'VE ONLY PUT OUT A
10 COUPLE OF WEEKS AT A TIME. WE WANTED TO SEE WHAT THE DEMAND
11 WAS, HOW MUCH COULD BE MET IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR. AND IT'S
12 BEEN A BALANCING OPERATION TO TRY AND FIGURE HOW MUCH VACCINE,
13 FIGURE PRIVATE SECTOR AVAILABILITY, DEMAND. LAST YEAR, FOR
14 EXAMPLE, IF YOU LOOK AT CHILDREN, ONLY ABOUT 40 PERCENT OF
15 RELATIVELY YOUNG CHILDREN GOT FLU IMMUNIZATION AT ALL. SO
16 WE'RE TRYING TO GET A LOT MORE THIS TIME. WE DON'T KNOW HOW
17 MANY PARENTS ARE GOING TO BRING THEIR CHILDREN IN. WE'RE
18 HOPING THAT THEY'LL BRING THEM ALL IN. SO THERE'S A LOT OF
19 UNKNOWNNS HERE. THAT'S WHY WE'RE TITRATING IT TO DEMAND.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AS OF NOW, YOU'RE SCHEDULED TO HAVE THESE
22 CLINICS THROUGH NOVEMBER 3RD, CORRECT? WHICH IS NEXT TUESDAY.

23

24 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO. WE HAVE PUT OUT A SCHEDULE THROUGH
25 NOVEMBER 8TH. WE HAVE A TENTATIVE PARTIAL SCHEDULE GOING



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1 FORWARD. WE HAVEN'T RELEASED THAT YET BECAUSE WE WANT TO SEE
2 HOW MUCH VACCINE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE, WHAT DEMAND WE'VE HAD AT
3 DIFFERENT SITES, AND ARE THERE THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE
4 DIFFERENTLY? IS THERE SOME BETTER SITE THAN THE ONES WE'VE
5 BEEN AT? SO WE'RE PLANNING TO DO MORE, BUT WE HAVEN'T RELEASED
6 THE SCHEDULE YET.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE BEST WAY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO
9 ACCESS THE INFORMATION ON WHAT YOUR SCHEDULE AND LOCATION OF
10 VACCINATIONS ARE IS TO DO WHAT?

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12 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** PUBLIC HEALTH. PUBLIC HEALTH WEB SITE,
13 PUBLICHEALTH.LACOUNTY.GOV., OR TO CALL 211.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I RECEIVED A COPY OF A LETTER WHICH I THINK
16 YOU RECEIVED FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY POLICE CHIEF'S
17 ASSOCIATION. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE SEEN IT YET. IT'S DATED
18 OCTOBER 22ND.

19

20 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I HAVEN'T SEEN IT YET, SUPERVISOR.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU. THEY'RE CONCERNED ABOUT
23 THEIR RANK AND FILE MEN AND WOMEN BEING VACCINATED BECAUSE OF
24 THE VOLUME OF PEOPLE THEY COME IN CONTACT WITH, INCLUDING IN



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1 THE JAILS AND PLACES LIKE THAT. I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU. I'D LIKE
2 YOU TO RESPOND TO THEM.

3

4 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** WE DO HAVE THE LETTER AND WE WILL DEVELOP A
5 RESPONSE TO THAT. IN SHORT, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS A
6 VACCINE COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE DELIBERATED THE
7 CHARACTERISTICS OF THE DISEASE AND DETERMINED THE PRIORITY
8 GROUPS THAT COULD BE MOST BENEFITED BY THIS VACCINE AND
9 DETERMINED THAT. THERE WAS A SPECIFIC DISCUSSION ABOUT LAW
10 ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY BROADLY, BUT WHAT CAME OUT OF
11 THAT RECOMMENDATION WAS A HEALTHCARE WORKER AND EMERGENCY
12 MEDICAL SERVICES WORKER AS BEING THE RECOMMENDED GROUP AT THIS
13 TIME. IT'S FORESEEABLE THAT AS WE GET THROUGH THE VACCINE
14 PRODUCTION ISSUE AND VACCINE DOES IN FACT MATERIALIZE, WHICH
15 THE LEVEL IN WHICH IT HAS BEEN PURCHASED BY THE FEDERAL
16 GOVERNMENT AND WHICH THE MANUFACTURERS SAY THEY CAN MAKE, IT'S
17 FORESEEABLE THAT THE TARGET GROUPS THEN GO AWAY AND WE MOVE TO
18 A MORE UNIVERSAL PROGRAM. BUT THAT WILL BE MANY WEEKS OUT, IF
19 MONTHS OUT, PERHAPS AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE ON TOP OF IT.

22

23 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE'RE ON TOP OF IT. TEACHERS ARE
24 ANOTHER GROUP WE'VE HEARD A LOT FROM. THERE'S A LOT OF
25 DIFFERENT FOLKS. AND WE'RE ANXIOUS TO GET EVERYONE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AREN'T TEACHERS IN THAT CATEGORY OF PEOPLE
3 WHO TAKE CARE OF YOUNG KIDS?

4

5 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YOU HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF A CHILD UNDER
6 SIX MONTHS OF AGE.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SIX MONTHS, ALL RIGHT. WELL, KEEP US -- I
9 THINK YOU ADDRESSED THE PATIENT ELIGIBILITY ISSUE. AND I THINK
10 THE ONE CONCERN I, AMONG OTHERS, THAT I HAD WHEN I WAS OUT AT
11 THE BALBOA PARK SITE LAST FRIDAY, I ACTUALLY WALKED THE LINE
12 AND TALKED TO VIRTUALLY EVERY SINGLE PERSON THAT WAS IN LINE,
13 ALMOST 1,000 PEOPLE. ALMOST ALL OF THEM WERE L.A. COUNTY
14 RESIDENTS. I KNOW THERE WAS SOME SPECULATION THAT THERE WERE A
15 LOT OF PEOPLE COMING IN FROM OTHER PARTS, FROM OTHER COUNTIES
16 OTHER THAN L.A. COUNTY. I ONLY RAN INTO TWO OR THREE PEOPLE
17 WHO WERE FROM VENTURA COUNTY, AND PARTS OF VENTURA COUNTY THAT
18 WERE NOT FAR FROM THIS LOCATION. SO IT WAS NOT UNREASONABLE.
19 IT'S PROBABLY CLOSER FOR THEM TO COME TO BALBOA PARK IF YOU
20 LIVED IN BELL CANYON THAN IT WOULD HAVE BEEN TO GO TO OXNARD
21 OR WHEREVER THEY'RE GIVING IT OUT THERE. SO I THINK THAT
22 ANECDOTAL FOCUS GROUP OF 1,000 PEOPLE, I DIDN'T THINK THAT WAS
23 THE ISSUE THAT WE SHOULD FOCUS ON. BUT THE ONES YOU'RE FOCUSED
24 ON, I THINK ARE THE RIGHT ONES AND YOU'RE ON IT. I ALSO WANT
25 TO COMPLIMENT YOUR FOLKS. I'M NOT GOING TO DWELL ON ANY OF THE



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1 FOUL UPS, IF THERE HAVE BEEN ANY MAJOR FOUL UPS. THAT HAPPENS.
2 BUT I THINK THE ORGANIZATION THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS DONE, THE
3 NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS THAT YOU HAVE CORRALLED INTO THIS
4 ENTERPRISE IS REMARKABLE. AND AS YOU SAID AND WE SAID ON
5 FRIDAY, THIS IS THE BIGGEST MOBILIZATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH
6 PERSONNEL SINCE THE POLIO VACCINATIONS OF THE MID 1950S. AND
7 THAT WAS QUITE A MOBILIZATION. SO JUST KEEP US POSTED ON
8 WHAT'S GOING ON, AS YOU ARE THROUGH THE EMAIL.

9

10 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE A QUESTION OR TWO. OBVIOUSLY, I
13 HAD A VERY SIGNIFICANT ISSUE INCIDENT IN MY DISTRICT OVER THE
14 WEEKEND. AND IT WAS JUST AN ABSOLUTE ALMOST DISASTER DOWN
15 THERE. AND I KNOW THAT WE WERE PART OF THE PLANNING BUT WE
16 WEREN'T "THE" PLANNER, IS THAT CORRECT?

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18 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** RIGHT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE BEACH CITIES, ON THE REDONDO
21 BEACH.

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23 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE DID NOT TAKE AN ASSERTIVE ROLE AND
24 WE NEEDED TO, SUPERVISOR.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ABSOLUTELY. I WILL MAKE SURE THE CITY
2 MANAGER KNOWS WHO WAS THE MAJOR PLANNER IN THAT. THE QUESTION
3 I HAVE DUE TO THAT, WILL THAT ELIMINATE ANY FURTHER, SAY,
4 POTENTIAL DRIVE-IN --

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6 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR, A DRIVE-IN VACCINATION SERVICE,
7 WHICH WE HAVE RUN SOME IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY, REALLY
8 REQUIRES A VERY EXTENSIVE SURFACE PARKING LOT WHERE YOU REMOVE
9 PEOPLE OFF THE CITY STREETS. AND THE DECISION TO RUN THE
10 DRIVE-THRU AT THIS LOCATION, EVEN WITHOUT THE BACKGROUND OF
11 ADDITIONAL DEMAND, WAS NOT A GOOD DECISION. IT'S NOT A
12 SUITABLE SITE. AND OUR APOLOGIES THAT WE WERE NOT ASSERTIVE IN
13 RECOGNIZING THAT AND PREVENTING THAT FROM HAPPENING. AND ALL
14 THE DISRUPTION. NEVERTHELESS, THERE WERE 2500 VACCINATIONS
15 SERVED THERE, ONE OF OUR HIGHEST VOLUME LOCATIONS ON SATURDAY.
16 THE OUTLYING AREAS ARE PROBABLY MORE SUITABLE FOR DRIVE-
17 THROUGH.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IN THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE PARKING LOTS OR
20 SOMETHING IF YOU'RE GOING TO DO IT.

21

22 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** CORRECT. WHERE YOU TAKE THE VOLUME OFF THE CITY
23 STREETS.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WERE SORT OF LIT UP WITH ALL THAT,
2 TOO. EVEN THOUGH BEACH CITY'S HEALTH DISTRICT IS A GOOD FRIEND
3 AND DO A LOT OF GOOD THINGS DOWN THERE. THEY LOOKED AT US AS
4 THE PROBLEM AREA AND NOT BEACH CITY. THE OTHER THING, IS THERE
5 A PROTOCOL IN PLACE AS IT RELATES TO -- WE'VE HAD THIS
6 QUESTION -- AS IT RELATES TO THE SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS?
7 I MEAN, IF SIX KIDS IN A CLASS COME DOWN WITH THE FLU, WHAT
8 ARE THE THRESHOLDS, OR ARE THERE ANY ANY? SO A SCHOOL DISTRICT
9 OR TEACHER, HOW DOES THAT ALL WORK?

10

11 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, THIS HAS BEEN LOOKED AT QUITE
12 CAREFULLY. I AGREE WITH YOU. AND IT'S IMPORTANT. AND THE BASIC
13 RECOMMENDATION IS TO NOT CLOSE CLASSES OR SCHOOLS EXCEPT UNDER
14 VERY EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES. IT DOESN'T SEEM TO REDUCE
15 TRANSMISSION MUCH. WHEN KIDS AREN'T IN SCHOOLS, THEY'RE OTHER
16 PLACES TOGETHER AND THEY SHARE THEIR VIRUSES. WHAT IS VERY
17 IMPORTANT ARE TWO THINGS. WELL, THREE THINGS. NUMBER ONE, TO
18 REINFORCE BASIC HYGIENE MESSAGES, BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH WE
19 REINFORCE THEM, PEOPLE KIND OF LAUGH ABOUT THEM, WASHING YOUR
20 HANDS AND ALL THAT STUFF AND COVER YOUR COUGH AND SNEEZE. KIDS
21 DON'T DO THEM. NUMBER TWO IS WHEN KIDS ARE SICK, ISOLATE THEM
22 IMMEDIATELY AND SEND THEM HOME. AND, THREE, STAY HOME. DON'T
23 SEND YOUR KID TO SCHOOL IF YOUR KID IS SICK UNTIL THEY'VE
24 GOTTEN BETTER, WHICH IS AT LEAST 24 HOURS AFTER THE FEVER HAS
25 GONE DOWN UNAIDED BY AN ANTI-FEVER MEDICATION. SO IF WE DO



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1 THOSE THINGS, WE'RE GOING TO MINIMIZE IT. BUT THERE ARE
2 SCHOOLS THAT HAVE HAD A LOT OF STUDENTS. I KNOW THE ONE SCHOOL
3 HAD A DANCE. AND EVERYBODY WAS TOGETHER IN A WHOLE CLASS. AND
4 MOST OF THE CLASS CAME DOWN WITH IT. SOME OF THOSE THINGS ARE
5 GOING TO HAPPEN. BUT THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CENTERS FOR
6 DISEASE CONTROL AND THE STATE, AND WE'VE LOOKED AT IT, AS
7 WELL, IS GENERALLY NOT TO CLOSE THE SCHOOL.

8

9 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR, WE DO MONITOR DISEASE LEVELS
10 REPORTED IN SCHOOLS FOR EXCESSIVE LEVELS OF DISEASE AS WELL AS
11 EXCESSIVE ABSENTEEISM, AND THAT'S THE TRIGGER.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT IS THERE A PROTOCOL FOR THEM TO
14 REPORT?

15

16 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** YES.

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18 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES. THERE IS A PROTOCOL FOR REPORTING.
19 SO WE HAVE A SENSE. AND IN FACT, SUPERVISOR, MOST OF THE
20 OUTBREAKS ARE IN SCHOOLS. WE KNEW, WE PREDICTED WHEN SCHOOL
21 OPENED THAT THERE WOULD BE A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN THE
22 ABSENCE OF VACCINE AND ALL THOSE KIDS COMING TOGETHER. AND IN
23 FACT THAT'S WHAT DID HAPPEN.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND WHILE THEY'RE SICK, THEY'RE UNABLE
2 TO GET THE SHOT, IS THAT CORRECT?

3

4 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES, EXACTLY. WELL PART OF THE PROBLEM
5 WITH THOSE THAT ARE ILL IS IN MOST CASES, EVEN THOUGH THEY
6 MAYBE HAVE FLU-LIKE ILLNESS, YOU CAN'T BE 100 PERCENT SURE
7 THAT IT WAS FLU, BECAUSE THERE ARE OTHER VIRUSES THAT MIMIC
8 WHAT FLU DOES. SO THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CENTERS FOR
9 DISEASE CONTROL IS EVEN IF YOU'VE HAD FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS, TO
10 GET THE VACCINE WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE OTHER PROBLEM
11 WITH THAT IS THAT THE SCREENING TEST THAT DOCTORS DO IS FOR AN
12 A-TYPE FLU, WHICH INCLUDE THESE NOVEL H1N1. IT'S NOT A VERY
13 RELIABLE TEST, UNFORTUNATELY. IT MISSES A LOT OF WHAT IS FLU.
14 SO IF YOU GET A NEGATIVE TEST FOR THAT, IT DOESN'T REALLY MEAN
15 THAT YOU DON'T HAVE THAT TYPE OF FLU. SO FOR ALL THOSE
16 REASONS, IT'S RECOMMENDED THAT EVEN IF YOU HAD A KIND OF
17 TYPICAL CASE THAT YOU GET A VACCINATION WHEN IT'S AVAILABLE.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
20 THOMAS? AND THEN SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I WANT TO
23 ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT, AS WELL. AND AT THE
24 SAME TIME, JUST PUNCTUATE THE POINT THAT I MADE IN THE EARLIER
25 CONVERSATION WITH MR. FRIEDMAN ABOUT THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE



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1 OFFICES, PARTICULARLY MY OFFICE, IS INVOLVED IN MAKING SURE WE
2 DEPLOY EFFECTIVELY SO AS TO MAXIMIZE THE USE THROUGHOUT THE
3 COUNTY. FEEDBACK FROM CONSTITUENTS CONCERNED ABOUT VENUES
4 CLOSING PRIOR TO WHAT WAS ANTICIPATED. AS WE'VE LOOKED INTO
5 IT, WE'VE LEARNED THAT THAT WAS A MISFIRE WITH RESPECT TO THE
6 PARTICULAR VENUE IN QUESTION BEING CLOSED EARLIER THAN WHAT
7 SHOULD HAVE BEEN THE CASE. AND IT WAS SIMPLY, I THINK, A
8 MATTER OF MISCOMMUNICATION. HAVING ESTABLISHED THAT, IT WOULD
9 SEEM TO ME, THOUGH, THAT IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ASSERTIVELY
10 ADVANCE AN AGENDA OF PUBLIC HEALTH. BY THAT I MEAN, CAUSING
11 WHATEVER AMBASSADORS, MESSENGERS TO CARRY THE MESSAGE ABOUT
12 THE NEED FOR THESE VACCINATIONS. AND I THINK WE SHOULD BE
13 CALLED UPON TO DO SO. THERE IS A SENSE IN WHICH IT WORKS
14 PERHAPS SATISFACTORILY AT A CERTAIN LEVEL FOR CONSTITUENTS TO
15 TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED ON THE ONE HAND. ON
16 THE OTHER HAND, IT REQUIRES ADVOCACY. AND WE NEED TO HAVE
17 MESSAGE CARRIERS UNDERSCORE HOW IMPORTANT THIS IS, ONE.
18 SECONDLY, TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT IT'S AVAILABLE, THEREFORE NO
19 NEED TO THINK THAT IT ISN'T. THIRDLY, TO TRY TO HELP OVERCOME
20 THEIR FEARS ABOUT INTERFACING WITH THE ENTITIES THAT WOULD BE
21 PROVIDING THE SERVICES. SO I'M IN SEARCH OF A FULL-ON
22 ASSERTIVE WAY TO GET THE MESSAGE OUT SO THAT COMMUNITIES
23 THROUGHOUT THE SECOND DISTRICT, AS AN ILLUSTRATION, ARE
24 COGNIZANT OF THIS VERY VITAL SERVICE. IT IS ONE THING TO THINK
25 OF IT IN TERMS OF THE HISTORIC IMPORT THAT IT MIGHT REPRESENT



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1 OWING TO THE LARGEST SUCH PUSH SINCE NEARLY A HALF CENTURY.
2 BUT THAT MAY BE ONE FOR THE HISTORY BOOKS ALONE. THE REAL
3 ISSUE IS WHETHER OR NOT THIS PUSH IS BEING TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF
4 BY THOSE WHO WE INTEND TO UTILIZE THE SERVICES OF THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNTY GENERALLY, IN THIS PARTICULAR
6 INSTANCE. SO MY APPEAL TO YOU IS TO INTERFACE WITH A LEVEL OF
7 FREQUENCY AND CONSISTENCY WITH THE VERY CAPABLE STAFF OF THE
8 SECOND DISTRICT IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR
9 CONSTITUENTS WITH RESPECT TO THIS VERY VALUABLE SERVICE.

10

11 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** WILL DO.

12

13 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE WILL ABSOLUTELY DO THAT, SUPERVISOR.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE CHAIRMAN ASKED WHAT I SAID. SHALL I
16 TRANSLATE THESE SERVICES FOR HIM? THANK YOU SO MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME ASK, THE FIRST QUESTION
19 WAS CAN YOU GIVE THE BOARD AN UPDATE ON THE VACCINATIONS OF
20 OUR HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES NEXT WEEK ALONG WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
21 HEALTH SERVICES?

22

23 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** FOR NEXT WEEK, WE CERTAINLY CAN.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO, THE ORIGINAL ALLOCATION OF THE SERUMS
2 IN SANTA CLARITA HAVE BEEN CANCELED. THE QUESTION WOULD BE
3 WHY? AND WILL THERE BE A SITE IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY?

4

5 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR, THE INITIAL TIME WINDOW FOR THE
6 AVAILABILITY OF THE VACCINE WAS SET FOR THE MIDDLE OF OCTOBER.
7 AND WE HAD INTENDED TO OPEN THESE CLINICS ON OCTOBER 13TH. AND
8 THESE OUTREACH CLINICS REQUIRE A NUMBER OF SITE PREPARATION
9 WITH THE HOST CITY AND VOLUNTEERS AND SUPPLIES AND PLANNING.
10 WHEN WE RECEIVED THE NOTICE THAT THEIR VACCINE WOULD BE
11 DELAYED, LET ALONE THE SHORTER AMOUNT OF THE VACCINE, WE HAD
12 TO CANCEL UP TO 30 CLINICS THAT WERE SCHEDULED BETWEEN OCTOBER
13 13TH AND OCTOBER 22ND. AND THOSE WERE ALL THROUGHOUT THE
14 COUNTY AND ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS, ALL SERVICE PLANNING
15 AREAS. AND WE'RE GOING TO BRING BACK AS MANY AS POSSIBLE IN
16 OUR NEXT ITERATION OF THE SCHEDULE.

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18 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE JUST DIDN'T HAVE THE VACCINE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WANT TO SAY THAT I THINK IT WOULD BE
23 IMPORTANT -- I KNOW HE'S ASKING FOR A REPORT BACK NEXT WEEK.
24 BUT AT LEAST, AL, AS WE GO THROUGH THIS SEASON AND WE'RE
25 GETTING THIS HEAVY DOSAGE RIGHT NOW AS FAR AS ISSUES, THAT



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1 EVERY OTHER WEEK WE GET AN UPDATE ON WHAT'S GOING ON, OKAY? WE
2 CAN EITHER DO IT HERE OR BY WRITTEN. BUT AT LEAST EVERY OTHER
3 WEEK TO KEEP THE BOARD INFORMED, NEED THE NUMBER OF PROBLEMS
4 WE'RE RUNNING INTO, LOCATIONS. I NOTICED OR I HEARD THAT WE
5 SCHEDULED ANOTHER ONE FOR NOVEMBER 14TH WITH BEACH CITIES. BUT
6 I UNDERSTAND THAT'S BEEN CANCELED NOW UNTIL WE FIND A BETTER
7 LOCATION.

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9 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** CORRECT. AND WE'RE GOING TO LOOK FOR AN
10 ALTERNATIVE LOCATION. AND AND I DON'T KNOW IF WE CAN CAPTURE
11 IT WITHIN THAT SAME TIME WINDOW, BUT WE WILL TRY TO CATCH IT.

12

13 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE'LL BE HAPPY TO WORK CLOSELY WITH
14 YOUR OFFICE, SUPERVISOR.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I APPRECIATE THAT.

17

18 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** TO IDENTIFY OTHER LOCATIONS.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT I'M JUST SAYING ALL ACROSS THE
21 COUNTY, EVERY OTHER WEEK WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. NOW, NEXT WEEK
22 HIS ISSUE THERE WITH OUR COUNTY FAMILY. BUT ON THE REST OF IT
23 -- DR. JONATHAN FIELDING: I WILL PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT
24 EVERY OTHER WEEK IN ADDITION TO WHATEVER WE DO HERE.

25



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1 **JOHN FRIEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY
2 ON THE HOSPITAL WORKER. IT'S NOT MANDATORY IN CALIFORNIA THAT
3 THEY GET VACCINATED. AND WE'LL HAVE TO SURVEY HOSPITALS TO SEE
4 HOW MUCH VACCINES THEY HAVE USED WITH THEIR HEALTHCARE
5 WORKERS. WE MAY NOT HAVE FULL INFORMATION BY NEXT WEEK BECAUSE
6 THERE ARE A NUMBER OF HOSPITALS WE HAVE TO HEAR BACK FROM ON
7 THE USAGE.

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9 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** AND WE HOPE THEY KEEP FULL TRACK OF
10 THAT.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANKS. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? IF
13 NOT, THANK YOU.

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15 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND ALSO, GOOD JOB. WE'RE TRYING TO STAY
18 STEADY ON THIS ONE.

19

20 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, I WANTED TO TAKE UP ITEM 1-H. ASK MR.
25 ROGAN AND TO COME UP.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE DO HAVE SOMEONE FROM THE PUBLIC
3 SIGNED UP.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD ASK THAT WE GO TO THE PUBLIC HEARING
6 FIRST.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DAVID PALLACK.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS HE REPRESENTING -- ARE YOU WITH
11 NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES?

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13 **DAVID PALLACK:** YES.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MAYBE YOU WANT TO HEAR THE REPORT FIRST? OR
16 DO YOU?

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18 **DAVID PALLACK:** I BELIEVE I'M FAMILIAR WITH THE REPORT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEN GO AHEAD.

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22 **DAVID PALLACK:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS DAVID PALLACK, I'M AN
23 ATTORNEY WITH NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES OF LOS -- GOOD
24 MORNING. MY NAME IS DAVID PALLACK, I'M AN ATTORNEY WITH
25 NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. LAST BOARD



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1 MEETING, WE OPPOSED SOME OF THE PROPOSALS SET FORTH BY THE
2 HOUSING AUTHORITY. AND WE MET WITH THEM IN THE INTERIM AND HAD
3 SOME PRODUCTIVE MEETINGS. AND THEY ALLAYED MANY OF OUR
4 CONCERNS. AND I WANT TO THANK MR. ROGAN AND HIS STAFF FOR
5 THEIR EFFORTS IN THAT REGARD. WE'VE SUBMITTED A LETTER
6 RESPONDING TO THE CURRENT REQUESTS AND I ONLY WANT TO ADDRESS
7 ONE OF THOSE THIS MORNING. IT'S ITEM NO. 7, THEN MANDATORY 12-
8 MONTH LEASE EXTENSION. CURRENTLY, WHEN A SECTION 8 VOUCHER
9 TENANT MOVES INTO A NEW RENTAL UNIT, THEY HAVE TO, UNDER HUD
10 REGS, ENTER INTO A ONE-YEAR LEASE. AFTER THAT, THE LEASE
11 GENERALLY CONVERTS TO A MONTH-TO-MONTH TENANCY. THE CHANGE
12 THAT THE HOUSING AUTHORITY IS PROPOSING IS TO REQUIRE ONE-YEAR
13 LEASES AT THE END OF EACH ONE-YEAR LEASE. SO THEY'RE LOCKED IN
14 FOR THAT PERIOD. OUR CONCERN IS THAT IT LIMITS THE TENANTS'
15 ABILITY TO MOVE DURING THAT SECOND OR LATER YEAR. AND TENANTS
16 MAY HAVE MANY GOOD REASONS TO MOVE. IT MAY BE TO MOVE CLOSER
17 TO A JOB, CLOSER TO A RELATIVE, CLOSER TO A SCHOOL, OR IT MAY
18 JUST BE THAT THEY FOUND LESS EXPENSIVE OR HOUSING MORE
19 SUITABLE FOR THEM. AND WE BELIEVE THAT OPTION SHOULD BE
20 PRESERVED. THE HOUSING AUTHORITY HAS SAID THAT THEIR CONCERN
21 IS TO ENSURE THAT THE CONTRACT REMAINS CURRENT AND VALID.
22 THAT'S WHY THEY WANT TO ENTER A NEW ONE-YEAR LEASE. BUT UNDER
23 CALIFORNIA LAW, OTHER THAN THE CHANGE FROM ONE YEAR TO MONTH-
24 TO-MONTH, THE REST OF THE TERMS OF THE LEASE REMAIN IN EFFECT.
25 I ASSUME THEY'RE PROBABLY CONCERNED WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE



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1 COSTS OF MOVING, AS WELL. BUT THAT'S ADDRESSED BY THEIR THIRD
2 PROPOSAL, WHICH WE DO NOT OBJECT TO OR OPPOSE. AND THAT LIMITS
3 TENANTS FROM MOVING MORE THAN ONCE IN A 12-MONTH PERIOD. WE
4 THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO PRESERVE THE TENANTS' ABILITY TO
5 MOVE AFTER THE FIRST YEAR. AND WE WOULD ASK THAT THE BOARD NOT
6 APPROVE ITEM NO. 7, AND INSTEAD REPLACE IT WITH A PROVISION
7 THAT ALLOWS THE HOUSING AUTHORITY TO ENTER A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT
8 IF THE TENANT WANTS THEM TO.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. I BELIEVE THAT ONE OF MY
11 COLLEAGUES IS GOING TO ADDRESS THAT, I BELIEVE. SO.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND YOU HAVE A MOTION, AS WELL?

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DO. BEFORE I READ THE MOTION, I WANT TO
16 ASK MR. ROGAN A FEW QUESTIONS. WHY IS THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
17 RECOMMENDING THE CLOSURE OF THE SECTION 8 WAIT LIST?

18

19 **SEAN ROGAN:** CURRENTLY WE HAVE 170,000 NAMES ON THAT WAIT LIST,
20 AND THAT CONTINUES TO GROW DAILY. AS PART OF OUR CORRECTIVE
21 ACTION PLANS WITH HUD, ONE OF THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO US, AS
22 WELL AS TO OTHER HOUSING AUTHORITIES, YOU TYPICALLY WANT TO
23 HAVE A WAIT LIST OF ABOUT TWO YEARS. WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE
24 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS TO MANAGE AND MAINTAIN AND EVEN UPDATE A
25 WAIT LIST OF 170,000, IT BECOMES SOMEWHAT COST BURDENSOME. FOR



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1 EXAMPLE, WHEN WE GO TO UPDATE OUR WAIT LIST ANNUALLY, THAT
2 REQUIRES US TO MAIL OUT APPROXIMATELY 170,000 PLUS PIECES OF
3 INFORMATION. AND IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR LIST IS UP-TO-
4 DATE AND CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND HOW LONG CAN A PERSON WHO ENTERS THE
7 WAITING LIST TODAY UNDER THIS NEW POLICY IF IT'S APPROVED
8 EXPECT TO WAIT FOR A VOUCHER?

9

10 **SEAN ROGAN:** WELL, RIGHT NOW AT 170,000, WE HAVE ABOUT 50,000
11 PLUS THAT'S IN JURISDICTION. AND THEY HAVE A PREFERENCE. AND
12 THAT'S OVER SEVEN YEARS. THE NON-JURISDICTION FOLKS ARE OVER
13 31 YEARS. AND AS THAT WAIT LIST GROWS, THOSE NUMBERS DO, AS
14 WELL.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IN THE FIRST CATEGORY, THE JURISDICTION?

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18 **SEAN ROGAN:** IN JURISDICTION. SO IF YOU'RE WITHIN THE COUNTY AT
19 TIME OF APPLICATION, YOU THEN HAVE A PREFERENCE OVER THOSE WHO
20 WOULD BE OUTSIDE?

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THOSE FOLKS WOULD BE WAITING HOW LONG?

23

24 **SEAN ROGAN:** SEVEN YEARS.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT ACTIONS ARE YOU TAKING TO MAKE SURE
2 THAT PEOPLE WILL KNOW ABOUT THIS ACTION ONCE WE TAKE IT?

3

4 **SEAN ROGAN:** WELL, THE FIRST THING WE'RE GOING TO DO IS WE'RE
5 GOING TO ADVERTISE IN ALL OF THE MAJOR NEWSPAPERS THROUGHOUT
6 L.A. COUNTY. THAT INCLUDES A.B. PRESS, LOS ANGELES TIMES, SOME
7 OF THE DIFFERENT SPANISH-SPEAKING LANGUAGE NEWSPAPERS. WE'RE
8 GOING TO ALSO UPDATE OUR WEBSITE. WE'RE GOING TO INCLUDE IT IN
9 NOTICES AND NEWSLETTERS. AND WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO ADVERTISE
10 AT LEAST TWICE WITHIN ALL THE NEWSPAPERS SO THAT WORD GETS
11 OUT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW WILL YOU DECIDE WHEN THE WAIT LIST
14 SHOULD BE REOPENED?

15

16 **SEAN ROGAN:** THE RULE OF THUMB IS TWO YEARS.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TWO YEARS FROM NOW?

19

20 **SEAN ROGAN:** NO. THE RULE OF THUMB IS WHEN YOU HAVE TWO YEARS'
21 WORTH OF TURNOVER ON YOUR WAIT LIST. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, RIGHT
22 NOW WE'RE 99 PERCENT LEASED UP. OUR AVERAGE TURNOVER IS ABOUT
23 250 FAMILIES. SO IF YOU LOOK AT THAT, YOU'RE ABOUT 3,000
24 FAMILIES THAT ARE TURNING OVER ANNUALLY. IT TYPICALLY TAKES
25 RIGHT NOW 3 TO 1 IN TERMS OF PULLING NAMES OFF OF A WAIT LIST



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1 TO THEN GET THOSE VOUCHERS OUT ON THE STREET. SO YOU PROBABLY
2 WOULD BE LOOKING AT WHEN THE WAIT LIST GOT REDUCED DOWN TO,
3 SAY, 30,000 IN TERMS OF REOPENING IT.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. DOES THE BOARD LETTER THAT'S BEFORE US
6 TODAY INCLUDE THE POLICY CHANGE THAT WAS RECOMMENDED TWO WEEKS
7 AGO WHERE THE HOUSING AUTHORITY WAS GOING TO ASSESS WHETHER AN
8 ASSISTED UNIT IS IN OR NEAR BUILDINGS WHERE CRIMINAL ACTIVITY
9 EXISTS?

10

11 **SEAN ROGAN:** IT DOES NOT. THAT ITEM HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DOES THE BOARD LETTER INCLUDE A GOOD CAUSE
14 PROVISION THAT COULD ALLOW FAMILIES TO MOVE MORE THAN ONCE A
15 YEAR IF THEY HAVE REASONS TO DO SO?

16

17 **SEAN ROGAN:** IT DOES.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WANT TO READ A MOTION IN. "I
20 MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
21 FIND THAT THE AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR
22 2009-2010 IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA
23 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT BECAUSE IT WILL NOT HAVE THE
24 POTENTIAL FOR CAUSING A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT,
25 AND APPROVE THE AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN AS REQUIRED BY THE



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1 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO
2 UPDATE THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S POLICIES AND THE SECTION 8
3 PROGRAM ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN AS REVISED ON THE OCTOBER 27TH,
4 2009 BOARD AGENDA, ALONG WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL
5 CHANGES: 1) INSTRUCT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE THE
6 CLOSURE OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S WAITING LIST IN MAJOR
7 NEWSPAPERS THAT SERVE OUR REGION, INCLUDING, AT A MINIMUM,
8 "THE LOS ANGELES TIMES," "LA OPINION," "THE DAILY NEWS," "THE
9 ANTELOPE VALLEY PRESS." BUT IT'S AT A MINIMUM. THERE ARE SOME
10 OTHER NEWSPAPERS REGIONALLY THAT YOU WOULD LOOK AT. NUMBER
11 TWO, INSTRUCT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ALLOW PARTICIPANTS TO
12 RESCHEDULE HOUSING QUALITY INSPECTION APPOINTMENTS PRIOR TO
13 THE SCHEDULED INSPECTION BY EMAIL, FAX OR TELEPHONE AS LONG AS
14 THE RESCHEDULED APPOINTMENT DATE ALLOWS THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
15 TO REMAIN IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND
16 URBAN DEVELOPMENT'S HOUSING QUALITY STANDARDS REQUIREMENTS.
17 AND, THREE, INSTRUCT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE ALL
18 POLICY CHANGES IN THE AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2009
19 ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN IN THE TENANT AND OWNER NEWSLETTERS, THE
20 HOUSING AUTHORITY WEBSITE, AND IN ALL APPROPRIATE OPERATIONAL
21 NOTICES. IN ADDITION, NOTICE OF THE CHANGE IN THE HOUSING
22 AUTHORITY'S POLICY REGARDING MISSED HOUSING QUALITY STANDARD
23 INSPECTIONS SHALL BE MAILED ALONG WITH THE INSPECTION NOTICE
24 THAT IS SENT DIRECTLY TO THE TENANTS." THAT'S MY MOTION.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY QUESTIONS IN REGARDS TO THE MOTION?

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THOUGHT THAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WAS
4 GOING TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DID YOU HAVE
7 AMENDMENT OR ANYTHING TO ADD?

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WAS MISINFORMED.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MISINFORMED. NEVER MIND. 1-H. JUST
12 ASKING YOU.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD I JUST THEN, MR. CHAIRMAN, AS A
15 COURTESY TO THE ATTORNEY FROM LEGAL SERVICES, COULD YOU JUST
16 ANSWER HIS CONCERN ABOUT THE ONE-YEAR?

17

18 **SEAN ROGAN:** YES, CERTAINLY.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY WOULDN'T IT BE A GOOD IDEA TO DO WHAT HE
21 SAYS.

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23 **SEAN ROGAN:** AND WE'VE HAD DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THIS. WHAT WE'RE
24 TRYING TO DO AS IT RELATES TO OUR ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES AND
25 PROCEDURES IS AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE DO OUR RE-EXAMINATIONS



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1 AND AT THE SAME TIME WE DO OUR INSPECTIONS TO ALSO THEN ALLOW
2 FOR THE TENANT AND THE LANDLORD TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT
3 THEY'RE GOING TO CONTINUE IN A ONE-LEASE PERIOD OR MOVE. AND
4 BY DOING SO, IT HELPS REDUCE OUR COSTS IN TERMS OF NEW
5 CONTRACTS, REDUCE OUR COSTS FOR MOVES AND IT ALLOWS FOR
6 PREDICTABILITY IN PLANNING.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW OFTEN DO WE RE-VISIT THIS ISSUE? EVERY
9 YEAR?

10

11 **SEAN ROGAN:** I'M SORRY. COULD YOU REPEAT THAT?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW OFTEN DO WE RE-VISIT THIS ISSUE? EVERY
14 YEAR? THIS BOARD LETTER IS AN ANNUAL EXERCISE?

15

16 **SEAN ROGAN:** IT IS. AND IN FACT, AS I MENTIONED AT THE BOARD
17 MEETING TWO WEEKS AGO, A LOT OF THESE CHANGES WERE DUE TO WHAT
18 WE'RE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH AS PART OF THE CORRECTIVE ACTION
19 PLANS AND THE O.A.G. AUDITS AS WELL AS LOOK AT TURNING THE
20 AGENCY FROM TROUBLED TO STANDARD TO HIGH PERFORMING. WE ARE
21 CURRENTLY BEGINNING THE PROCESS RIGHT NOW FOR UPDATES OR
22 CONSIDERATIONS TO OUR ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN. AND THAT PROCESS
23 WILL TAKE EFFECT OVER THE COURSE OF THE -- NEXT SIX MONTHS.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT I WOULD SUGGEST IS COULD WE JUST RE-
2 VISIT THIS ISSUE BETWEEN NOW AND NEXT YEAR, WHEN WE RE-VISIT
3 THIS ISSUE?

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5 **SEAN ROGAN:** CERTAINLY WE CAN.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE A MORE THOROUGH DISCUSSION ON IT. I
8 MOVE IT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** [INAUDIBLE] SO ORDERED.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I BELIEVE THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT IT?

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST
19 OF ALL, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SPECIALIST JESUS FLORES,
20 A LA MIRADA RESIDENT WHO WAS TRAGICALLY KILLED IN THE LINE OF
21 DUTY IN AFGHANISTAN DURING OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM ON
22 OCTOBER 15TH. SPECIALIST FLORES GREW UP IN THE PHILIPPINES AND
23 HAS LIVED WITH HIS SISTER IN LA MIRADA FOR A YEAR BEFORE
24 SERVING IN THE NAVY FROM 2003 TO 2007. HE THEN ENLISTED IN THE
25 ARMY IN 2008 AND WAS ASSIGNED TO THE 569TH MOBILITY COMPANY,



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1 FOURTH ENGINEER BATTALION, FORT CARSON, COLORADO. HE WAS A
2 DECORATED SOLDIER WHO RECEIVED THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE
3 MEDAL, THE AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL WITH CAMPAIGN STAR, THE
4 IRAQ CAMPAIGN MEDAL WITH CAMPAIGN STAR, THE GLOBAL WAR ON
5 TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL AND THE ARMY'S SERVICE RIBBON. JESUS
6 WAS ONE OF FOUR ARMY SOLDIERS THAT WERE KILLED IN KANDAHAR
7 PROVINCE AFTER ENEMY FORCES ATTACKED THEIR VEHICLE WITH AN
8 I.E.D. THERE ARE NONE SO BRAVE AS THOSE WHO ARE WILLING TO
9 SERVE THEIR COUNTRY WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT THE OUTCOME MIGHT BE.
10 IT IS DIFFICULT TO IMAGINE THAT OUR FALLEN SOLDIERS HAD WHEN
11 THEY HAD WALKED INTO BATTLE NOT KNOWING IF THEY WILL EVER
12 RETURN. OUR SINCERE GRATITUDE GOES OUT TO HIS FAMILY AND
13 FRIENDS. JESUS IS SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, WHO LIVE IN THE
14 PHILIPPINES, SIX SIBLINGS AND ONE OF HIS SISTERS IS CURRENTLY
15 SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
16 MEMORY OF MAJOR MICHAEL EDWARD WESTIN. MAJOR WESTIN WAS
17 TRAGICALLY KILLED IN A HELICOPTER CRASH IN AFGHANISTAN ON
18 OCTOBER 26TH. HE WAS SERVING AS A SPECIAL AGENT WITH THE
19 D.E.A. AND HAD VOLUNTEERED FOR A TWO-YEAR TOUR OF DUTY IN
20 AFGHANISTAN. HE WAS ALSO IN THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE AND
21 COMPLETED THREE TOURS OF DUTY IN IRAQ. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
22 FATHER, STEVE. AND I BELIEVE ALL MEMBERS ON THIS. OKAY? ALSO
23 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROBERT WARREN DOUGLAS, A LONGTIME
24 RESIDENT OF CERRITOS, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF
25 82. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BETTY; TWO SONS, RICHARD AND



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1 EARL, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN AND THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO
2 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BONNIE ROLAND OF LAKEWOOD, WHO
3 PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 68. SHE WORKED AT ROCKWELL
4 INTERNATIONAL AT DOWNEY SPACE CENTER SINCE THE 60S. SHE
5 ENJOYED LIFE WITH HER FAMILY AND HER RED HAT SOCIETY FRIENDS.
6 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, MARCEL; DAUGHTERS, TERRY AND
7 DONNY; THEIR HUSBANDS, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO SISTERS. AND
8 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALICIA SANCHEZ MARCOULES,
9 LIFELONG RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO, WHO PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER
10 23RD. SHE WAS THE LOVING WIFE OF MIKE, FORMER COMMANDING
11 OFFICER OF THE LONG BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT'S HARBOR
12 DETECTIVES AND BOARD MEMBER OF GAP. ALICIA WAS KNOWN FOR BEING
13 THE BEST MOM IN THE WORLD TO HER TWO CHILDREN, ELAINE AND
14 MARK. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, MIKE; DAUGHTER, ELAINE;
15 SON, MARK; AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN, MICHAEL, MATTHEW, AND
16 MADELINE. SO ORDERED. ON THE REMAINING ITEMS, I WANT TO ASK
17 DR. CLAVREUL TO JOIN US ON 17, 18, 19 AND 20. THEY ARE
18 CONTINUED. BUT SHE STILL WANTS TO ADDRESS THEM BEFORE WE
19 CONTINUE THE ITEMS.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ORIGINALLY THEY WERE BEING CONTINUED TO
22 NOVEMBER 3RD. BUT THE C.E.O. IS NOW REQUESTING THAT THEY BE
23 CONTINUED TO NOVEMBER 10TH.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. EITHER WAY THEY WILL BE CONTINUED.
2 BUT WE WILL LISTEN TO DR. CLAVREUL'S TESTIMONY.

3

4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, DR. GENEVIEVE
5 CLAVREUL. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TO THOSE ITEMS.
6 FIRST OF ALL, ON ITEMS 17 AND 19 THERE WAS NOTHING AVAILABLE.
7 NO DOCUMENTATION AVAILABLE WHATSOEVER. ALSO I'M VERY CONCERNED
8 THAT SINCE WE HAVE THE NEW C.E.O., WE ARE HAVING ITEMS
9 POSTPONED AND CONTINUED MORE THAN EVER BEFORE. SOMETIMES AS
10 MUCH AS NINE ITEMS POSTPONED. WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT RISK
11 MANAGEMENT, IT IS A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF RUNNING BUSINESS OF
12 A COUNTY. AND THAT SHOULD BE YOUR FIRST PRIORITY. SURELY TO
13 SEE IT DELAYED DOES NOT PROVE EFFICIENCY. ALSO, TO HAVE THE
14 AUDIT IDENTIFYING SHARON HARPER, WHO IS THE CHIEF DEPUTY OF
15 THE C.E.O., AS BEING INVOLVED IN PROBABLY MISMANAGEMENT OF
16 SOME ISSUE, THAT'S OF GREAT CONCERN. I THINK THAT IT IS
17 DEFINITELY LESS -- NOT VISIBILITY ON WHAT'S BEING DONE. LIKE
18 AN EXAMPLE, I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A COPY -- AND THAT'S A FORMAL
19 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A COPY OF THE
20 C.V. OF CAROL MEYER. I WANT TO KNOW WHEN SHE WAS PROMOTED FROM
21 INTERIM INFORMATION NETWORK OFFICER TO PERMANENT. I WANT TO
22 KNOW WHEN THE JOB WAS POSTED. HOW MANY PEOPLE WERE INTERVIEWED
23 FOR THAT POSITION? IT'S TOO MANY OF THOSE ISSUES GOING ON ALL
24 THE TIME. I THINK WE ARE PAYING THROUGH THE NOSE A FOR PROBLEM
25 BEING DONE BOTH IN NOT ONLY IN THE HOSPITAL SETTINGS BUT OTHER



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1 DEPARTMENTS. ALSO, WE HAVE BEEN WITHOUT A HEAD OF D.H.S. FOR A
2 VERY LONG, LONG TIME. I'M TALKING ABOUT RISK MANAGEMENT. THAT
3 WOULD BE A VERY IMPORTANT JOB TO FILL, TO BE PART OF RISK
4 MANAGEMENT. AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHEN WE ARE GOING TO HAVE
5 SOME ACTION IN THAT ISSUE. SO THANK YOU FOR LISTENING. AND I
6 HOPE THAT YOU WILL TAKE SERIOUSLY THE RISK MANAGEMENT
7 COMPONENT. I MEAN, WE ARE PAYING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS,
8 HEALTHCARE ALONE LAST YEAR IT WAS OVER 69 MILLION OF PROBLEMS.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK WE TAKE THAT VERY SERIOUSLY AND
11 THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS FOR THE CONTINUANCE. WE ALL HAD SOME
12 EXTRA QUESTIONS.

13

14 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** BUT WE ARE SPENDING MORE MONEY WITH
15 THE C.E.O., ALL THE PEOPLE WORKING FOR HIM WHO HAVE MORE
16 PROBLEMS THAN BEFORE. SOMETHING WRONG WITH THAT PICTURE.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. 17, 18, 19 AND 20 ARE
19 CONTINUED UNTIL NOVEMBER 10TH. SO ORDERED. MR. SACHS, 11, 12,
20 13 AND 21-B?

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS. AS
23 ALWAYS WITH BONDS, I'M ALWAYS APPREHENSIVE BASED ON SOME OF
24 THE THINGS I'VE SEEN AND HEARD IN OTHER POLITICAL ARENAS,
25 L.A.W.A. AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF LOS ANGELES AND THE ONE BOND



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1 THAT WAS DISCUSSED WHEN THE C.E.O. WAS LEAVING THE CITY AND
2 THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE ARGUMENT THAT ENSUED BETWEEN HOW IT
3 WAS BEING OFFERED AND THE FACT THAT THERE WAS A DISCREPANCY OF
4 LIKE \$16 MILLION BETWEEN TWO DIFFERENT PLANS TO OFFER THE
5 BONDS FOR SALE. I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE MARKET. THERE WAS AN
6 ARTICLE IN THE NEWSPAPER, I BELIEVE YESTERDAY IN "THE DAILY
7 BREEZE" AGAIN, REGARDING SALE OF AIRPORT BONDS. AND I'M REALLY
8 CONCERNED THAT NOBODY STEPPED UP WITH THE DISCUSSION REGARDING
9 THE AIRPORT BONDS BECAUSE THE CITY HAS OFFERED FOR THE
10 REVITALIZATION OF L.A.W.A., A \$950 MILLION BOND. AND THEN LIKE
11 SIX MONTHS AGO, L.A.W.A. OFFERED ALSO A \$950 MILLION BOND. AND
12 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE AIRPORT MENTIONED ONLY ONE BOND
13 BEING OFFERED FOR SALE WHEN IN FACT THERE ARE TWO BONDS. THEY
14 JUST HAPPENED TO HAVE THE SAME AMOUNT OF MONEY. AND NOBODY'S
15 CONCERNED. NOBODY'S CONCERNED ABOUT THE COST OF THE AIRPORT,
16 ANYWAY. BUT GENERALLY SPEAKING REGARDING THESE BONDS, PEOPLE
17 NEED TO BE AWARE HOW EASY IT IS TO BE MANIPULATED THROUGH THE
18 SALE OF THESE BONDS. ALSO THE FACT THAT WITH CERTAIN BONDS,
19 THEY CAN AFFECT YOUR PROPERTY TAX IF THEY DON'T REACH
20 MATURATION, THE POINT OF MATURATION THAT THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO,
21 THAT YOUR PROPERTY TAXES COULD INCREASE TO COVER THE
22 DIFFERENCE IN WHAT THE BONDS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR. AND
23 GENERALLY SPEAKING, THE BOND MARKET ITSELF. THANK YOU VERY
24 MUCH FOR YOUR TIME, INTEREST AND ATTENTION.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** JUST SO YOU KNOW, 11, 12 AND 13, THOSE
2 BONDS ARE A RESULT OF ENABLING LEGISLATION. THIS IS THE MONEY
3 THAT THE STATE BORROWED FROM COUNTIES. AND IT WAS ENABLING THE
4 LEGISLATION TO ALLOW US TO SECURITIZE THAT, SO IT WAS A VERY
5 APPROPRIATE ACTION. ALL RIGHT. ON ITEMS 11, 12, 13 AND 21-B,
6 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
7 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 14? REPORT BY
8 THE C.E.O.?

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THIS IS ONE OF THE MATTERS
11 THAT I WANTED TO ADDRESS, AND YOUR PLEASURE IS HOW I WOULD
12 GOVERN MYSELF IN TERMS OF PROCEEDING.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT STAFF REPORT FIRST?

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK THAT'S ACCEPTABLE.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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20 **PHILIP BROWNING:** DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. PHIL
21 ANSELL, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES AND MS. JACQUIE
22 WHITE, C.E.O. I THINK WE WERE BACK HERE TODAY TO FOLLOW-UP A
23 LITTLE BIT ON A DISCUSSION WE HAD HAD EARLIER ABOUT SETTING
24 SOME BENCHMARKS AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR THE G.R. PROGRAM.
25 I THINK THERE WAS A MEMORANDUM THAT CAME TO THE BOARD FROM THE



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1 C.E.O.'S OFFICE OUTLINING A LITTLE BIT OF THE TARGETS THAT
2 HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED THROUGH A WORKGROUP THAT PHIL ANSELL HAS
3 BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN LEADING. AND I DO THINK THERE'S BEEN AN
4 AWFUL LOT OF WORK DONE IN A VERY, VERY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME TO
5 TRY TO BRING AT LEAST SOME CONSENSUS TO THIS DISCUSSION. AND
6 WE'RE CERTAINLY HOPING TO BRING BACK A FURTHER, MUCH MORE
7 DETAILED REPORT ON DECEMBER THE 15TH. AND WE'RE AVAILABLE TO
8 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT I THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE ON THIS
9 ISSUE.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I GUESS THERE
14 NEEDS TO BE FURTHER CLARIFICATION TO SOME EXTENT AS TO WHAT
15 THE MISSION OF THE WORKGROUP IS AS YOU UNDERSTAND IT, MR.
16 BROWNING?

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18 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL I THINK THE MISSION OF THE GROUP WAS TO
19 TRY TO LOOK AT THE AREA OF GENERAL RELIEF, SINCE IT HAD BEEN
20 GROWING. IT'S GROWN OVER 25,000 IN THE LAST 18 MONTHS OR SO
21 AND TO SEE IF THERE COULD BE SOME WAY TO PROVIDE A BETTER
22 SERVICE THAN WHAT WE'VE CURRENTLY BEEN PROVIDING FOR MANY,
23 MANY YEARS. AND I THINK THE GROUP WAS SELECTED AND SELF-
24 IDENTIFIED THROUGH A PROCESS THAT WAS HELD IN THIS BUILDING TO
25 LOOK AT HOW WE COULD MOVE FORWARD WITH THE PRIMARY EMPHASIS OF



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1 TRYING TO MOVE MORE PEOPLE ONTO S.S.I. AND EMPLOYMENT. ONE OF
2 THE THINGS THAT I THINK WE TAKE SOME PRIDE IN IS MOVING ABOUT
3 10,000 INDIVIDUALS BACK TO WORK EVERY YEAR. BUT ALSO IN THE
4 S.S.I. ARENA, WE'RE PUTTING OVER 5,500 ARE GETTING THEIR
5 APPLICATIONS APPROVED. AND I THINK THE IDEA HAD BEEN THAT WE
6 WERE GOING TO TRY TO COME UP WITH A PLAN THAT WOULD PROVIDE
7 SOME HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND DO SOME THINGS DIFFERENTLY,
8 INCLUDING INVOLVING HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH IN THE EFFORT SO
9 THAT WE COULD ACTUALLY SEE WHAT RECORDS THEY HAD AVAILABLE.
10 PHIL ANSELL IS CERTAINLY MUCH MORE INVOLVED IN THE WORKGROUP
11 PROCESS AND I THINK CAN GIVE YOU MUCH MORE IN DETAIL THE
12 DISCUSSION IF THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE INTERESTED IN, SIR.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, I'M INTERESTED IN THAT. BUT I'M ALSO
15 INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHAT IMPEDIMENTS THERE ARE SHOULD YOU
16 IDENTIFY ANY OF THEM. MS. WHITE, ANY IMPEDIMENTS TO THE
17 OVERALL MISSION HAS IT HAS BEEN ARTICULATED? WHAT ARE THE
18 IMPEDIMENTS? ARE THERE ANY?

19

20 **PHILIP BROWNING:** CERTAINLY. HOUSING IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST
21 IMPEDIMENTS. I THINK WHAT WE FOUND IS THAT MANY OF THE
22 INDIVIDUALS WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ARE HOMELESS. AND PART OF THE
23 GOAL IS TO PROVIDE AN INCREASED SUBSIDY FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS
24 SO THAT WHILE THEY ARE INVOLVED IN THE APPLICATION PROCESS, WE
25 CAN HAVE THEM STABILIZED SO THAT THEY CAN GO TO THE SOCIAL



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1 SECURITY OFFICE. THEY CAN HAVE A PLACE TO TAKE A SHOWER. THEY
2 CAN HAVE A PLACE TO EAT WHICH IS NOT NOW SOMETHING THAT WE
3 HAVE THE ABILITY TO DO IN THE MANNER THAT WE'RE PROPOSING.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DO YOU CONCUR WITH THE OVERALL SENSE THAT
6 MEASUREMENTS MATTER, MR. BROWNING?

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8 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I CERTAINLY DO. IN FACT, I THINK D.P.S.S. HAS
9 ONE OF THE STRONGEST MEASUREMENT PLANS OF ANY DEPARTMENT IN
10 THIS COUNTY. WE HAVE D.P.S.S. STATS, WHICH HAS BEEN LOOKED AT
11 BY HARVARD UNIVERSITY AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AS A MODEL FOR
12 HOW OTHER ENTITIES COULD DO BUSINESS. WE MEASURE MANY, MANY
13 THINGS I THINK WE TALKED ABOUT LAST TIME.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE DON'T WANT TO BE TOO EXTENSIVE IN THAT
16 REGARD. WE JUST SIMPLY WANT TO ASK ANOTHER QUESTION, WHICH IS:
17 THE NOTION OF BENCHMARKS AND TARGETS AROUND WHICH THERE IS
18 SOME DEGREE OF CONCERN, TO PUT IT MILDLY, RESISTANCE TO PUT IT
19 MORE DIRECTLY. PERHAPS YOU CAN ADDRESS YOURSELF TO THAT SET OF
20 ISSUES?

21

22 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL, I THINK ANY TIME THERE ARE BENCHMARKS
23 OR TARGETS SET, THERE ARE GOING TO BE INDIVIDUALS WHO WOULD
24 LIKE A HIGHER TARGET SET. THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT TARGETS ARE
25 IMPORTANT AND WE NEED TO MEASURE OURSELVES.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DOES THAT MEAN THERE'S GOING TO BE OTHER
3 INDIVIDUALS WHO WISH TO HAVE LOWER TARGETS SET?

4

5 **PHILIP BROWNING:** CERTAINLY.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. DO YOU WANT TO NAME THAT TUNE,
8 MR. BROWNING?

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10 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL, I THINK WE WANT TO HAVE REALISTIC
11 TARGETS THAT WE THINK ARE ACHIEVABLE.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO THEY'RE HIGHER, LOWER AND REALISTIC?

14

15 **PHILIP BROWNING:** REALISTIC IS WHAT WE WOULD LIKE.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I SEE, ALL RIGHT. PROCEED.

18

19 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK REALISTIC IS WHAT WE'D LIKE. I THINK
20 ONE OF THE ISSUES IS HOW DO WE GET CONSENSUS FROM A GROUP OF
21 DIFFERENT INDIVIDUALS ABOUT WHAT A TARGET SHOULD BE? I THINK
22 THERE WAS A GROUP PROCESS. PHIL, DO YOU WANT TO SPEAK TO THE
23 PROCESS?

24



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1 **PHIL ANSELL:** CERTAINLY, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, MEMBERS OF
2 THE BOARD. WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE SECOND PHASE OF THE GENERAL
3 RELIEF RESTRUCTURING WORKGROUP. PURSUANT TO THE BOARD'S
4 ACTIONS ON OCTOBER 6TH, WE ARE NOW DEVELOPING DETAILED
5 IMPLEMENTATION PLANS AND AN EVALUATION PLAN FOR THOSE
6 RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD ON OCTOBER 6TH AS WELL AS
7 ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE AREAS THAT WERE NOT FULLY
8 ADDRESSED IN PHASE ONE OF THIS PROCESS.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** OKAY.

11

12 **PHIL ANSELL:** AND MOST OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS INVOLVING S.S.I.
13 ADVOCACY WERE NOT RESOLVED IN PHASE 1 AND HAVE THEREFORE BEEN
14 A PRIMARY FOCUS OF THE WORK OF THE WORKGROUP IN PHASE 2. AND
15 PHASE 2 IS ABOUT ONE HALF OVER AT THIS POINT. ONE OF THE
16 ISSUES BEING ADDRESSED BY THE WORKGROUP WHERE WE WOULD HAVE
17 COME BACK TO THE BOARD WITH A RECOMMENDATION REGARDLESS OF
18 THIS MOTION ON OCTOBER 6TH WOULD HAVE BEEN TARGETS FOR S.S.I.
19 APPROVALS GOING FORWARD AS A RESULT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
20 THIS GENERAL RELIEF RESTRUCTURING. AS A RESULT OF THIS MOTION,
21 WE SOUGHT TO REACH CONSENSUS MORE QUICKLY IN THE PROCESS IN
22 ADVANCE OF THE OVERALL COMPLETION OF PHASE 2. AND THAT'S
23 WHAT'S REFLECTED IN THE C.E.O. MEMO THAT WAS SUBMITTED TO THE
24 BOARD YESTERDAY BASED ON THE DISCUSSION, IN THE G.R.
25 RESTRUCTURING WORKGROUP LAST THURSDAY.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. SO YOU IDENTIFIED THE POINT
3 THAT THERE ARE HIGHER, LOWER AND REALISTIC. AND I SURMISE THAT
4 THIS IS A POINT OF DISCUSSION, DEBATE, POTENTIAL TENSION
5 WITHIN THE WORKING GROUP. THE CONSENSUS IS EVOLVING, DO I READ
6 THAT CORRECTLY?

7

8 **PHIL ANSELL:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, THERE WAS SORT OF SOME
9 DIFFERENCE IN UNDERSTANDING, AS YOU MAY BE AWARE, EVEN BASED
10 ON WHAT WAS SAID IN THE WORKGROUP MEETING LAST THURSDAY.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IS THE DEPARTMENT SEEKING TO SET LOWER
13 BENCHMARKS OR NOT?

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15 **PHIL ANSELL:** NO.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO?

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19 **PHIL ANSELL:** NOT LOWER.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HOW DO YOU PEG HIGHER, LOWER AND
22 REALISTIC?

23

24 **PHIL ANSELL:** THE STATUS OF THE DISCUSSION IN THE WORKGROUP,
25 SUPERVISOR, IS THAT BASED ON CONSULTATIONS WITH SOME MEMBERS



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1 OF THE WORKGROUP THAT WERE IDENTIFIED AS EXPERTS DURING THE
2 PRIOR WORKGROUP MEETING, THE DEPARTMENT CAME BACK WITH
3 RECOMMENDED TARGETS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE SECOND WORKGROUP
4 MEETING LAST THURSDAY. THERE WERE MANY MEMBERS OF THE
5 WORKGROUP WHO CONCURRED WITH THOSE. OTHERS THOUGHT ULTIMATELY
6 THAT IT WAS ACCEPTABLE TO IDENTIFY THOSE TARGETS IF THEY WERE
7 SPECIFIED AS AT LEAST SO THAT THE TARGET WOULD BE TO AT LEAST
8 ACHIEVE THAT LEVEL, TO NOT IMPLY THAT IT SHOULDN'T BE POSSIBLE
9 TO GET HIGHER.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHEN YOU SAY, IDENTIFIED, PARDON ME, WHEN
12 YOU SAID IDENTIFIED AS EXPERTS, WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?

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14 **PHIL ANSELL:** THAT TO CHARACTERIZE THE TARGETS AS MINIMUM
15 TARGETS, RATHER THAN ULTIMATE TARGETS, IF YOU WILL.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO IS IT THAT THE DEPARTMENT DIFFERS WITH
18 THOSE THAT HAVE QUOTE-UNQUOTE BEEN "IDENTIFIED AS EXPERTS"?

19

20 **PHIL ANSELL:** NO, NOT AT ALL. NO, IN FACT THE WORKGROUP, IN OUR
21 FIRST MEETING --

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO I'M JUST TRYING TO GET YOUR POINT. WHO
24 IDENTIFIED THEM AS EXPERTS?

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1 **PHIL ANSELL:** THE WORKGROUP CONSISTS OF REPRESENTATIVES OF 11
2 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND 10 COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHO IDENTIFIED THEM AS EXPERTS?

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6 **PHIL ANSELL:** WITHIN THAT, THE WORKGROUP CONSISTS OF 11 COUNTY
7 DEPARTMENTS AND 10 COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS. AND THAT'S THE
8 GROUP THAT'S BEEN WORKING THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS. AT THE
9 FIRST MEETING OF PHASE 2 WHERE WE HAD AN IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION
10 AROUND S.S.I. ADVOCACY, THE MEMBERS OF THE WORKGROUP
11 RECOMMENDED THAT D.P.S.S. HAVE AN OFFLINE MEETING WITH MS.
12 CHERYL MARTIN, WHO IS THE LEADING ADVOCATE FOR MENTAL HEALTH
13 ADVOCATES, WHICH HAS THE HIGHEST APPROVAL RATE FOR S.S.I.
14 APPLICATIONS AS FAR AS WE KNOW OF ANY ORGANIZATION IN LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY AND IS HERSELF A MEMBER OF THE WORKGROUP. THAT
16 SUGGESTION WAS ACCEPTED BY THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE WORKGROUP,
17 AND WE DID HAVE AN OFFLINE MEETING WITH MS. MARTIN BETWEEN THE
18 FIRST AND SECOND MEETING OF THE G.R. RESTRUCTURING WORKGROUP.
19 AND IT WAS IN FACT CHERYL MARTIN WHO RECOMMENDED TO US A
20 TARGET OVER MULTIPLE YEARS. BUT AS 70 PERCENT APPROVALS AT THE
21 INITIAL APPLICATION STAGE. AND THEN WE CONSIDERED THAT AND
22 PRESENTED IT TO THE WORKGROUP THE FOLLOWING DAY AT OUR MEETING
23 LAST THURSDAY. BUT AT ANY RATE, SUPERVISOR, WHERE WE STAND AT
24 THIS POINT IS THAT WE CAN CERTAINLY --

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M NOT SURE THAT YOU ANSWERED MY
2 QUESTION. I'M NOT SURE THAT YOU DID.

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4 **PHILIP BROWNING:** SUPERVISOR, I'M NOT SURE THAT THERE ARE ANY
5 NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED EXPERTS THAT ARE ON THIS WORKGROUP.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WAS TRYING TO LOCK IN ON THAT BECAUSE
8 HIS COMMENTS WERE THAT --

9

10 **MR. BROWNING:** RIGHT. I THINK HE DID SAY EXPERTS. AND I THINK
11 IF YOU TALK TO THOSE INDIVIDUALS --

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HE SAID "IDENTIFIED AS EXPERTS." AND I
14 DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO INTERPRET THAT.

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16 **MR. BROWNING:** I THINK IF THEY WERE ASKED, THEY WOULD SAY THEY
17 WERE.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M SORRY?

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21 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK IF YOU TALKED TO INDIVIDUALS, THEY
22 WOULD PROBABLY SELF-IDENTIFY THEMSELVES AS EXPERTS.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, SELF-IDENTIFICATION IS DIFFERENT
25 FROM IDENTIFYING BY EXTERNAL SOURCES. THAT'S WHY I POSED THE



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1 QUESTION WHO IDENTIFIED THEM AS SUCH, NUMBER ONE? AND NUMBER
2 TWO, AND IN RELATION TO THAT, I WAS TRYING TO UNDERSTAND,
3 PERHAPS BY INFERENCE, IF THE DEPARTMENT DIFFERED WITH THAT,
4 THEREFORE GIVING RISE TO THE DIFFERING POINTS OF VIEW ABOUT
5 WHAT AN APPROPRIATE BENCHMARK WOULD BE. MR. BROWNING, YOU MADE
6 REFERENCE TO, RATHER ENTHUSIASTICALLY, YOU MIGHT SAY
7 ASSERTIVELY, ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT'S COMMAND OF NUMBERS AND
8 MATRIX, ET CETERA. AND YOU SAID THAT THAT COULD BE DISPLAYED
9 WITH READIED AVAILABILITY AND COMPARED TO ANY DEPARTMENT IN
10 THE COUNTY. I THINK I CAPTURED THAT IN SUMMARY FASHION. WHAT
11 ABOUT BEST PRACTICES AND THE LIKE IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS? WHAT
12 WORK HAS BEEN DONE IN THAT REGARD, MS. WHITE? HAS THERE BEEN
13 ANY COMPARISON TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS THAT INFORM
14 DELIBERATIONS OF THE WORKGROUP?

15

16 **JACQUELINE WHITE:** IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT AS PART OF THIS
17 WORKGROUP AND THE EFFORT THAT WE'RE DOING IN THE DEPARTMENT
18 THAT WE ARE LOOKING AT WHAT OTHER JURISDICTIONS ARE DOING, AS
19 WELL. SAN FRANCISCO --

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SAN FRANCISCO. WHERE ELSE? I'M LOOKING AT
22 A NOTE THAT HERE SAYS "BALTIMORE HAS SOME GOOD EXAMPLES.
23 DENVER. CHICAGO."

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1 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK WE'RE TALKING PARTICULARLY ABOUT THE
2 CALIFORNIA EXPERIENCE. AND WE'VE LOOKED AT SAN FRANCISCO.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHY LIMIT IT TO THAT?

5

6 **MR. BROWNING:** I THINK JUST BECAUSE WE HAVE --

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE BEST AND MOST PROMISING PRACTICES ARE
9 LOCATED ELSEWHERE, AREN'T WE OBLIGED TO AT LEAST EVALUATE THEM
10 IN THE SPIRIT OF DUE DILIGENCE?

11

12 **PHILIP BROWNING:** CERTAINLY.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MAY I THEN SUGGEST THAT SUCH BE THE CASE?

15

16 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK SAN FRANCISCO HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED AS
17 ONE OF THE PLACES THAT WAS CUTTING EDGE.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

20

21 **PHILIP BROWNING:** SO THEIR DIRECTOR CAME DOWN AND SPOKE TO THIS
22 GROUP AND DESCRIBED WHAT THEY HAD DONE OVER A PERIOD OF TIME,
23 PARTICULARLY IN THE HOUSING AREA.

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES.



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2 **PHILIP BROWNING:** SO THAT WAS I THINK THE CLOSEST PLACE THAT WE
3 USED AS A MODEL. AND THOSE BEST PRACTICES, I'M SURE THAT
4 YOU'RE MENTIONING, ARE ONES THAT WE NEED TO LOOK AT.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND I WOULD TRUST THAT IN THE NEXT REPORT,
7 THAT THERE WILL BE EVIDENCE OF HAVING DONE SO. THROUGH THE
8 CHAIR, I WOULD TRY TO BE INCLINED TO MAKE THAT REQUEST. THESE
9 QUESTIONS ARE AIMED AT AFFIRMING THE WORK THAT THE WORKING
10 GROUP IS CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN. IT IS TO BE PROPERLY
11 INTERPRETED AS MY ENCOURAGING MORE OF THE SAME. WHEN I LOOK AT
12 THE REALITIES OF THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, I OFTEN
13 QUANTIFY WHAT IS OR IS NOT HAPPENING. AND WHEN WE LOOK AT G.R.
14 IN PARTICULAR, WHEN YOU LOOK AT 39 PERCENT OF THOSE WHO ARE
15 SERVICED BY THIS COUNTY, THEY ARE, THEN, RESIDENTS OF THE
16 SECOND DISTRICT. THEREFORE, AN INCREASED AND KEEN CONCERN FOR
17 THE QUALITY OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED AND THE PROGRESS AND/OR
18 INNOVATION THAT'S BEING MADE. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE REPORT ON
19 THE 15TH. AND MY ASSUMPTION IS THAT THOSE ISSUES THAT I HAVE
20 RAISED WILL HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED.

21

22 **PHILIP BROWNING:** THEY WILL BE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE DID HAVE A PATRICK O'ROURKE JUST
25 SIGNED UP, PLEASE? THANK YOU.



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PATRICK O'ROURKE: YES, MY NAME IS PATRICK ARTHUR O'ROURKE. AND
I'M GOING TO KEEP THIS BRIEF. BASICALLY LAST TIME I SAW THIS
IN THE AGENDA, I WAS AWARE THAT THERE WAS A NEED TO GO AHEAD
AND -- THAT THERE WERE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS THAT WERE
NONPROFIT, POSSIBLY, THAT WERE ABLE TO PLACE THE CLIENTS
SUCCESSFULLY ON S.S.I. BENEFITS THAT THE DEPARTMENT, D.P.S.S.
WAS AWARE OF. I SUGGEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT COMPILE A LIST OF
THESE ORGANIZATIONS, ESPECIALLY THE NONPROFIT ONES, AND EITHER
CREATE A WORKING RELATIONSHIP THEREOF OR REFERRAL LIST TO
EXPEDITE IN WHAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS, IN ITS OWN WORDS HAS
STATED, HASN'T BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH, AND THAT IS GETTING
PEOPLE, CLIENTS OFF OF WELFARE AND ONTO S.S.I. THAT'S IT.

14

SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM'S BEFORE US. MOVED
BY SUPERVISOR -- WAS THAT JUST A RECEIVE AND FILE? OKAY. SO
ORDERED. ITEM 16?

18

DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF: SUPERVISORS, WE HAVE A VERY BRIEF REPORT
ON THE STATUS OF THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE. THE ASSEMBLY
YESTERDAY APPROVED THE BILL FOR URGENCY AND FOR APPROPRIATION
BY MORE THAN THE TWO-THIRDS VOTE NEEDED. IT'S BEING ENROLLED
AND IS SENT TO THE GOVERNOR AND EXPECTED TO BE SIGNED VERY
QUICKLY. THAT GIVES THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE
SERVICES THE APPROPRIATION TO PROCEED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION



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1 AND THE NEGOTIATION WITH THE FEDERAL C.M.S., WHICH WE EXPECT
2 TO HAPPEN IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS. SO THE GOOD NEWS IS
3 IT'S TAKING ONE MORE STEP FORWARD.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. BUT IT'S ALSO MY UNDERSTANDING
6 THAT THERE'S A SUNSET CLAUSE IN THE BILL? IS THAT TRUE?

7

8 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THE FEE ITSELF, IN AB-1383 ENDS ON
9 DECEMBER 31ST, 2010, WHICH COINCIDES WITH THE END CURRENTLY OF
10 THE ENHANCED FMAP. THAT'S WHEN THE RATIO OF 38/62 STATE TO
11 FEDERAL RETURNS TO 50/50. AND THE APPROACH THAT THE CALIFORNIA
12 HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION HAS TAKEN ON THIS IS TO DO FIRST THE
13 PERIOD OF TIME OF THE ENHANCED FMAP. GET THAT DONE. AND THEN
14 TO PROCEED WITH A LONGER-TERM HOSPITAL FEE. C.H.A. IS RIGHT
15 NOW ABOUT TO SUBMIT LANGUAGE TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR A
16 BALLOT INITIATIVE THAT WOULD GO ON THE BALLOT NOVEMBER 2010
17 THAT WOULD PUT INTO PLACE SOME PROTECTIONS FOR THE HOSPITALS
18 ABOUT FUTURE FEES. AND THEN THEY WOULD PROCEED WITH
19 LEGISLATION TO DO THAT. THAT'S THE CURRENT PLAN OF THE C.H.A.
20 BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S ALL IN THE FUTURE, RIGHT?

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24 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THAT'S ALL IN THE FUTURE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU REALLY HAVE TO LOOK AT THIS AS ONE-
2 TIME MONEY.

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4 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THIS AS ONE-TIME MONEY.
5 WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THIS AS FUNDING THAT WILL END ON DECEMBER
6 31ST, 2010.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WITH THAT, THEN, WHEN WOULD THE
9 COUNTY BEGIN RECEIVING THESE FUNDS? AFTER IT'S SIGNED? AND
10 WILL IT BE THIS FISCAL YEAR

11

12 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WE EXPECT TO HAVE FUNDS THIS FISCAL YEAR,
13 SUPERVISOR.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HOW MUCH?

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17 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WELL, THE QUESTION IS HOW MANY QUARTERS
18 BACK C.M.S. WILL APPROVE IT. WE EXPECT TO GET AT LEAST FOUR
19 QUARTERS, WHICH WOULD BE THE \$137 MILLION. THERE COULD BE AS
20 MUCH AS ABOUT \$240 MILLION THIS YEAR. THERE'S THAT MUCH OF A
21 RANGE, BECAUSE IT'S \$34.5 MILLION PER QUARTER. BUT WE WON'T
22 KNOW THAT FOR A COUPLE MONTHS UNTIL THE NEGOTIATIONS BEGIN.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT'S THE CURRENT OPERATING DEFICIT
25 PROJECTED?



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2 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE ABOUT A \$210 MILLION
3 PLUG THAT'S IN THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET THIS YEAR.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO IF WE ONLY GET 130 MILLION, THE LOW
6 END OF THE THING, WE STILL HAVE ISSUES OBVIOUSLY FOR CASH FLOW
7 FOR US BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO FRONT ALL THAT MONEY, IS
8 THAT CORRECT?

9

10 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THAT'S CORRECT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MUCH WELL, DO WE HAVE ANYTHING IN
13 PLANNING AS IT RELATES TO POTENTIAL MITIGATION ISSUES SHOULD
14 WE, WORST CASE SCENARIO?

15

16 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, WE ARE PROCEEDING WITH
17 ADDITIONAL EFFICIENCIES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE A
18 NUMBER OF WORK GROUPS WORKING ON DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THAT,
19 WHICH INCLUDE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AREAS OF MATERIALS
20 MANAGEMENT, EFFICIENCIES IN THE AREA OF NURSE STAFFING --

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT KIND OF DOLLARS WOULD THOSE RAISE?

23

24 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** BUT NONE OF THOSE WILL ADD UP TO THE
25 AMOUNT OF THAT DEFICIT. IF WE DON'T GET THE HOSPITAL FEE OR WE



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1 DON'T GET THE FULL AMOUNT OF IT, AT SOME POINT WE'LL BE THE
2 FORCED TO LOOK AT THE ISSUE OF CURTAILMENTS.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
5 THAT'S A RECEIVE AND FILE. SO ORDERED. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT.
6 PUBLIC COMMENT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IS GOING TO DO HIS
7 ADJOURNMENTS. I WAS GOING TO DO IT EARLIER BUT ZEV SAID I
8 COULDN'T.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE
11 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A FELLOW SUPERVISOR WHO JUST PASSED AWAY,
12 AND THAT'S SUPERVISOR BILL REID OF MONO COUNTY. HE WAS FIRST
13 ELECTED IN 1980, AND WAS REELECTED 2008. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
14 WIFE, LYNN; AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN, JIM, KATHY AND BILL. HE
15 HAD REPRESENTED THE INYO-MONO COUNTY'S AGENCY ON AGING AND
16 MANY OTHER COMMITTEES. HE HAD SERVED AS THE FOREMAN OF THE
17 GRAND JURY AND HE ORIGINALLY WAS THE COMMANDER FOR THE
18 CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL FOR THAT AREA. DR. TIMOTHY LIN
19 PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 11TH. WAS A MEMBER OF THE OLD TESTAMENT
20 TRANSLATION COMMITTEES FOR THE NEW AMERICAN STANDARD BIBLE.
21 PROFESSOR, GRADUATE, AND THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS WHERE HE TAUGHT
22 BIBLICAL THEOLOGY, OLD TESTAMENT HEBREW, BIBLICAL ARAMAIC,
23 CLASSIC ARABIC AND PESHITTA SYRIAC. HE WAS ALSO A PROFESSOR AT
24 TALBOT SEMINARY IN LOS ANGELES. HE WAS THE PASTOR OF THE FIRST
25 CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES WHICH HE BECAME PASTOR



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1 IN 1962. VERY GOOD FRIEND AND SUPPORTER WHO WAS FORMERLY A
2 COUNTY EMPLOYEE AND THEN LEFT MANY YEARS AGO WHEN HE WAS
3 EMPLOYED AS A REAL ESTATE BROKER ACTIVE IN MANY PROFESSIONAL
4 AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS. MURRAY GOLUB, WHO WAS ACTIVE IN THE
5 ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE WAS A BUILDER OF BOTH TEMPLE BETH TORAH IN
6 PANORAMA CITY AND TEMPLE BETH KNESSET BAMIDBAR IN LANCASTER.
7 AND MURRAY IS SURVIVED BY HIS FIVE CHILDREN. HE HAD BEEN DOWN
8 HERE MANY TIMES, PARTICIPATED AND WAS A VERY GOOD COMMUNITY
9 LEADER AND ASSISTED OUR OFFICE IN ANTELOPE VALLEY SINCE HE
10 FIRST ELECTED TO THIS BOARD. CLINTON CURTIS COLE, LONGTIME
11 RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. HE
12 WAS ACTIVE IN HIS LODGE, PAST PRESIDENT OF KERN COUNTY
13 ANTELOPE VALLEY'S HISTORICAL SOCIETY. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY
14 HIS WIFE OF 71 YEARS. BETTY ANN DUNLAP PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
15 OF 64. SHE WAS A FOSTER PARENT WITH PENNY LANE FOSTER FAMILIES
16 FOR OVER 30 YEARS AND TOOK CARE OF HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF
17 CHILDREN OVER THE YEARS. TOM FRYE, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LA CA
18 ADA-FLINTRIDGE. HE WAS A GRADUATE OF CRESCENTA VALLEY HIGH AND
19 OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE. HE WAS DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR FOR MANY
20 SEASONS AT FLINTRIDGE PREP, WHERE HE WAS ALSO THE SCHOOL'S
21 WEBMASTER AND GAME ANNOUNCER FOR THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT. HE
22 WAS A WELL-RESPECTED COACH AND TEACHER AS I SAID AT FLINTRIDGE
23 PREP SCHOOL. CHARLES KNAPP, SERGEANT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY
24 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, RETIRED. DR. CLIFFORD GILBERT, PRACTICED
25 MEDICINE FOR OVER 55 YEARS. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88.



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1 HE RETIRED AT THE AGE OF 84. HE WAS ON THE STAFF OF ST.
2 JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL IN BURBANK, WHERE HE WAS AN INSTITUTION.
3 DURING WORLD WAR II, HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY'S
4 MEDICAL CORPS WHERE HE SERVED AS THE RANK OF CAPTAIN.
5 MARGARITA VIRGINIA SMITH HARO, OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WAS A
6 PHILANTHROPIST, EDUCATOR, ORPHANAGE SUPPORTER, MISSIONARY AND
7 FUNDRAISER FOR NUMEROUS CAUSES. VIC MIZZY, FILM AND TELEVISION
8 COMPOSER BEST KNOWN FOR THE THEME SONGS HE HAD WRITTEN FOR THE
9 SITCOMS "ADAMS FAMILY," "GREEN ACRES," AND VETERAN WRITER OF
10 POPULAR SONGS. HIS CAREER BEGAN IN 1960 WITH THE "SHIRLEY
11 TEMPLE'S STORY BOOK" AND "RICHARD BOONE SHOW." YOLANDA
12 WILLIAMS, WORKED FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
13 DEPARTMENT. SHE WAS A CLERK. AND SHE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE
14 RECORDS AND IDENTIFIED BUREAU. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
15 47. ROBERT WOOLFORK, OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, A RETIRED FEDERAL
16 GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE AND WAS A UNITED STATES MARINE IN WORLD
17 WAR II. PHILIP J. PAGE, LEONA VALLEY. PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER
18 10TH. BEEN A GOOD FRIEND. FORMER EDUCATOR FROM THE GLENDALE
19 AREA, THEN MOVED TO NEVADA. PASSED AWAY. THAT WAS ROBERT
20 KELLY. HE LEAVES HIS WIFE, MARIE. HE WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN THE
21 GLENDALE COMMUNITY FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE
22 AGE OF 78. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL CALL THEM UP. CHONTEL ROLISON.
25 DANIEL GARCIA, ANN STUART, AND CARLA CLENNY-MARTINEZ WILL BE



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1 THE FIRST FOUR SPEAKERS, PLEASE? OKAY. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO
2 GO FIRST?

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4 **ANNE STUART:** I WILL.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PROCEED, IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE
7 RECORD.

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9 **ANNE STUART:** IF YOU DON'T MIND, I'LL GO FIRST BECAUSE THE
10 PARKING METER IS GOING TO EXPIRE. MY NAME IS ANNE STUART. AND
11 I'M HERE AS A FOLLOWUP. I REQUESTED AN INVESTIGATION OF THIS
12 BOARD ON JUNE 9TH, 2009. MY CHILDREN AND I HAVE BEEN VICTIMS
13 AS WELL AS THE 18 CHILDREN WHO DIED BECAUSE OF NEGLIGENT
14 SUPERVISION OF DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY IN THE YEAR 2008. MY CHILDREN HAVE BEEN INJURED
16 AND TRAUMATIZED, AND MYSELF AS A DIRECT RESULT OF NEGLIGENCE,
17 FRAUD, EMPLOYEE MISCONDUCT, VIOLATION OF COUNTY POLICY OF
18 EMPLOYEES OF DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. AND
19 SINCE THE TIME, SINCE JUNE 9TH, I HAVE RECEIVED LITTLE OR NO
20 ASSISTANCE IN THIS INVESTIGATION. IN THE FIVE YEARS THAT MY
21 FAMILY HAS BEEN TORTURED AND TORN APART BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
22 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, I HAVE ENCOUNTERED ONE EMPLOYEE
23 THAT EXHIBITS EMPATHY, PROFESSIONALISM, KINDNESS AND
24 UNDERSTANDING AND SEEMS TO CARE AT ALL ABOUT THE CHILDREN
25 UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THIS DEPARTMENT. ONE EMPLOYEE IN FIVE



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1 YEARS. I DON'T KNOW IF I SHOULD MENTION THAT PERSON'S NAME,
2 BUT I DEFINITELY WILL WRITE A COMMENT THAT THAT PERSON CARED
3 ENOUGH TO TRY AND HELP A LITTLE. HOWEVER, THE PROBLEM
4 CURRENTLY IS THAT THE SOCIAL WORKER IS NOT COOPERATING. AND
5 I'VE REQUESTED A NEW WORKER. IF YOU RECALL, MY DAUGHTER WAS
6 ASSAULTED AT KNIFEPOINT ALONG WITH ANOTHER CHILD, A MINOR
7 CHILD. THERE'S A CONVICTION, A GUILTY PLEA, TWO FELONY COUNTS
8 OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND BATTERY WITH A WEAPON. THIS DID NOT
9 OCCUR IN MY HOME. MY CHILDREN CONTINUE TO BE TRAUMATIZED. THE
10 WORKER CONTINUES TO LIE, BE INHUMANE, GIVE ME NO NOTICE --
11 LITTLE OR NO NOTICE OF REQUIRED REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS,
12 PETITIONS. SHE FAILS TO COMPLY WITH COURT-ORDERED VISITATION.
13 AN EXAMPLE OF HER INHUMANE TREATMENT, JUST TODAY I HAVE TO BE
14 IN HER OFFICE AT 2:00, HAVING NO TRANSPORTATION, EXCEPT THE
15 KINDNESS OF MY FRIENDS IN CHATSWORTH. WHEN THAT'S NOT WHAT THE
16 COURT ORDER SAYS, BUT TO SEE MY CHILDREN I HAVE TO GO ALL THE
17 WAY FROM BY U.S.C. TO CHATSWORTH. AND THIS WOMAN WASN'T EVEN
18 GOING TO GIVE ME A BUS PASS. SHE NEVER HELPED. SHE NEVER
19 PROVIDED ANY SERVICES. HASN'T BEEN TO MY HOME IN SEVERAL
20 YEARS. AND CONTINUES TO COVER UP A CRIME AGAINST A CHILD. THIS
21 IS NOT SOMETHING THAT I IMAGINED. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT'S ON
22 THE RECORD AND THERE'S A MAN IN PRISON RIGHT NOW FOR THIS.
23 AGAIN, THIS DID NOT OCCUR IN MY CUSTODY. BUT UNDER SOMEONE
24 ELSE WHO IS NOT FIT. BUT THE BOTTOM LINE IS I'M JUST
25 REQUESTING A FOLLOW-UP. LIKE MY CHILDREN AND ON BEHALF OF THE



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1 OTHER 18 CHILDREN WHO DIED LAST YEAR BECAUSE OF CHILDREN'S
2 SERVICES, I'M REQUESTING --

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE A GENTLEMAN FROM THE DEPARTMENT
5 OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES THAT WILL VISIT WITH YOU RIGHT
6 OVER HERE.

7

8 **ANNE STUART:** AND I DO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION.
9 THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHERE DO YOU RESIDE?

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13 **ANNE STUART:** I'M SORRY? IN LOS ANGELES. IN THE CITY OF LOS
14 ANGELES.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, I MEAN WHICH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT?

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18 **ANNE STUART:** I BELIEVE IT'S SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THAT'S
19 RIGHT.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE GOT SOMEBODY FROM D.C.F.S. AND MAYBE
22 SOMEBODY FROM YOUR OFFICE, MARK? IT'S THE CHATSWORTH OFFICE
23 THAT SHE'S GOING TO BUT SHE RESIDES OVER BY U.S.C.

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1 **ANNE STUART:** RIGHT. THE CASE SHOULD NOT BE IN CHATSWORTH
2 OFFICE. THAT'S ANOTHER POINT. IT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE THERE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. IT SHOULDN'T BE THAT FAR AWAY.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SHOULDN'T BE THAT FAR AWAY.

7

8 **ANNE STUART THAT'S RIGHT.**

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10 **>>SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO MAYBE SOMEBODY FROM MARK'S OFFICE,
11 WHO ALONG WITH THE D.C.F.S. PERSON, OKAY? ALL RIGHT, THANK
12 YOU. OKAY, NEXT?

13

14 **CARLA CLENNEY-MARTINEZ:** HI, MY NAME IS CARLA CLENNEY-MARTINEZ.
15 I AM THE DAUGHTER OF A WORLD WAR II VETERAN. I HAVE BEEN A
16 RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY MOST OF MY LIFE SINCE BIRTH.
17 AND I AM HERE TODAY TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE ABSOLUTE INJUSTICE
18 THAT HAS BEEN DONE TO ME AND TO MY THREE CHILDREN. I AM VERY
19 AFRAID OF THE FAMILY THAT I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH. I WAS THE
20 VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SITUATION FOR ALMOST 10 YEARS. I
21 TRIED TO LEAVE THE SITUATION. I HAD A CRIMINAL PROTECTIVE
22 ORDER AGAINST THE FATHER. AT THE SAME TIME, THIS WAS DURING
23 THE YEAR OF 2007. MY FATHER WAS ALSO DYING FROM COLON CANCER.
24 I WAS A LICENSED NURSE AT 22 YEARS OLD. I WAS TAKING CARE OF
25 MY FATHER. AND I WAS ALSO IN A SITUATION WHERE THE FATHER HAD



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1 A WEEKEND VISITATION. UNBEKNOWNST TO ME, MY MOTHER-IN-LAW WAS
2 SEXUALLY ABUSING MY DAUGHTER. THIS HAS BEEN COMPLETELY COVERED
3 UP BY D.C.F.S. I HAVE FOR OVER ALMOST TWO YEARS NOW BEEN
4 FIGHTING FOR MY DAUGHTER TO BE IN THERAPY. SHE, ON CONSISTENT
5 VISITATIONS WOULD TELL ME THE THINGS THAT HAD HAPPENED TO HER.
6 I HAVE NEVER RECEIVED ANY OF THE REPORTS FROM D.C.F.S.
7 BEFOREHAND. AND FROM THE VERY BEGINNING OF IN THIS COURT CASE,
8 I TRIED TO TAKE MY DAUGHTER INTO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE
9 THE REPORT, AND I WAS TOLD THAT I WAS MENTALLY ILL AND MY
10 CHILD WAS DETAINED BY THE WHITTIER POLICE DEPARTMENT. I HAD
11 ALSO BEEN ATTACKED BY MY MOTHER-IN-LAW IN AUGUST OF 2007 IN
12 WHICH THE WHITTIER POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS AWARE OF. HER OLDEST
13 SON IS AN F.B.I. AGENT, DANNY MARTINEZ. AND I'M SAYING THESE
14 NAMES NOW BECAUSE I AM FINALLY COMING FORWARD WITH THIS. THIS
15 COURT CASE HAS BEEN AN ABSOLUTE NIGHTMARE FOR ME. DANNY
16 MARTINEZ HAS CONTACTED EVERY SINGLE PERSON INVOLVED. AND HIS
17 WIFE, A REGISTERED NURSE, WOULD CALL INTO THE C.P.S. HOTLINE
18 WHEN SHE DID NOT KNOW WHERE MY CHILDREN ARE. AND SHE WOULD
19 MAKE CONSTANT FALSE ALLEGATIONS AGAINST ME. I HAVE HAD OVER 20
20 FALSE ALLEGATIONS INTO THE C.P.S. HOTLINE. AND AT THIS TIME, I
21 HAVE FOUGHT THE DEPARTMENT NOW FOR ALMOST TWO YEARS. MY
22 CHILDREN WERE PLACED WITH A PATERNAL GRANDFATHER. AND I HAVE
23 WEEKEND VISITATION OF MY OLDER SON FROM MY FIRST MARRIAGE.
24 RIGHT NOW, I'M STILL IN A FAMILY REUNIFICATION PERIOD, BUT I
25 FEAR THAT MY CHILDREN MAY NOW LIVE WITH A GRANDFATHER WHO IS



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1 SECOND COUSIN TO THE GRANDMOTHER THAT SEXUALLY ABUSED MY
2 DAUGHTER.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP, PLEASE?

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6 **CARLA CLENNEY-MARTINEZ:** YES. IT TOOK ME OVER EIGHT YEARS TO
7 SEE THE -- TO FIGURE OUT THE SEXUAL ABUSE PATTERNS THE WAY
8 THIS FAMILY OPERATES. ANY TIME THERE'S ANY CRIME INVOLVED, IT
9 IS COVERED UP BY THE F.B.I. AGENT. AND AT THIS POINT, I REALLY
10 AND TRULY FEAR FOR MY DAUGHTER'S SAFETY. THIS COURT CASE HAS
11 COST THE L.A. COUNTY AND STATE TAXPAYERS THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS
12 UNNECESSARY.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU KNOW, JUST SO YOU UNDERSTAND.
15 THERE'S NOT MUCH WE CAN DO EXCEPT HAVE THE DEPARTMENT LOOK AT,
16 THE GENTLEMAN OUT THERE VISIT WITH YOU ON THE ISSUE. OBVIOUSLY
17 WE CAN'T GET INSIDE THE COURTROOM OR OVERRULE THE JUDGE OR DO
18 ANYTHING LIKE THAT. THAT'S STILL HANDLED INTERNALLY BY THE
19 COURTS, A SEPARATE ENTITY. THERE'S A GENTLEMAN OUT THERE
20 THAT'S TALKING TO THE OTHER LADY, HE WILL VISIT WITH YOU, AS
21 WELL, AND SEE WHAT WE CAN DO TO FOLLOW-UP.

22

23 **CARLA CLENNEY-MARTINEZ:** I WOULD LIKE TO MENTION THAT I FEEL
24 THAT THE F.B.I. AGENT INVOLVED IN THIS CASE HAS ALSO HAD



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1 CONTACT WITH THE JUDGE. I FEEL THAT EVERYTHING SINCE APRIL OF
2 THIS YEAR HAS COMPLETELY CHANGED BECAUSE OF HIS INVOLVEMENT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOU CERTAINLY HAVE GROUNDS THEN TO
5 VISIT WITH AN ATTORNEY.

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7 **CARLA CLENNEY-MARTINEZ:** I HIRED MY OWN ATTORNEY. AND PAID OVER
8 \$5,000. AND MY OWN ATTORNEY EVEN WORKED AGAINST ME. WENT BACK
9 TO THE COURT-APPOINTED ATTORNEY AND HAVE HAD MANY TIMES
10 PERIODS OF ONLY SEEING MY TWO YOUNGER CHILDREN FIVE TIMES IN
11 FIVE MONTHS. AND THEN NOW THAT SHE WAS IN THERAPY, THE
12 GRANDFATHER DID NOT ALLOW ME TO SEE THE CHILDREN FOR FIVE
13 WEEKS. I'VE HAD TO BE MY OWN ATTORNEY AND FILE PETITIONS, 388S
14 OR JV180S AS THEY'RE CALLED NOW, AND BE LITERALLY MY OWN
15 ATTORNEY IN THIS COURT CASE TO EVEN GET ANY VISITATION OF MY
16 CHILDREN.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE'S A GENTLEMAN, HE'S VISITING WITH
19 THE OTHER LADY, BUT, SIR?

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21 **CARLA CLENNEY-MARTINEZ:** YES, I WOULD APPRECIATE IT AT THIS
22 POINT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE ANOTHER CASE FOR YOU
25 RIGHT HERE. WHOEVER'S NEXT?



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2 **CHONTEL ROLISON:** I'VE BEEN HERE SEVERAL TIMES. THIS IS THE
3 FIFTH YEAR THAT MY KIDS HAVE BEEN IN THE SYSTEM.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR NAME IS?

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7 **CHONTEL ROLISON:** MY NAME IS CHONTEL ROLISON. SORRY ABOUT THAT.
8 FAMILY MEMBERS, CERTAIN FAMILY MEMBERS SIMPLY NEED TO MIND
9 THEIR OWN BUSINESS. THIS IS HOW THIS ALL STARTED YEARS AGO,
10 BECAUSE I TOLD THE TRUTH ABOUT BEING MOLESTED AND ABUSED AS A
11 CHILD. THESE FAMILY MEMBERS HAVE BEEN HARASSING ME. THEY NEVER
12 WANTED TO SEE ME HAPPY FOR YEARS, OKAY? I FOUND OUT THE TRUTH.
13 NOT KNOWING THAT THE BABY'S FATHER, HE WAS IN ON IT THE ENTIRE
14 TIME. MY SITUATION IS THE SAME AS HERS. I HAVE NOT SEEN MY
15 BABIES IN NINE MONTHS. NO VISITATION WHATSOEVER. AND IT
16 DOESN'T MATTER WHAT KIND OF PASSES I GET TO SEE MY KIDS, I AM
17 GOING TO STILL GO SEE THEM. THESE PEOPLE HAVE MADE ME AN
18 EXAMPLE, A TOKEN EXAMPLE TO SOCIETY. WHETHER HE'S PAYING MY
19 RENT FOR ME, WHATEVER THE CASE MAY BE, I NEVER KNEW. HE SAYS
20 "SHE WON'T WORK, SHE WON'T DO THIS, SHE WON'T DO THAT." THIS
21 PERSON IS SIMPLY TRYING TO CONTROL MY LIFE. IT SOUNDS LIKE THE
22 SAME GRANDFATHER SHE WAS TALKING ABOUT. THESE PEOPLE NEVER
23 WANTED ME TO BE HAPPY. FOR YEARS. BASED ON MY OUTER. I'VE BEEN
24 USED AND ABUSED FOR YEARS. AND THE ONLY WAY THAT THEY COULD
25 GET ME THIS TIME WAS TO TAKE MY KIDS. WHEN IS IT GOING TO



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1 STOP? IT'S A VICIOUS CYCLE. IT HAPPENED TO MY MOM. MY MOM,
2 SHE'S SAME SITUATION. MY BROTHER, HE WAS IN PRISON ALL HIS
3 LIFE DUE TO THESE SAME TYPE OF PEOPLE WHO SET ME UP. THEY'RE
4 SETTING ME UP. THEY'LL USE FRIENDS. THEY'LL USE EVEN MY OWN
5 DAUGHTER. ANYONE. AND I'M NOT -- I DON'T HAVE A MENTAL
6 DISABILITY. ALL THOSE THINGS ARE LIES. I'VE RECOVERED FROM
7 DRUGS. I'VE RECOVERED FROM EVERYTHING. AND I'M DOING FINE. I
8 DON'T BELIEVE I HAVE COLON CANCER. I BELIEVE GOD HEALED ME.
9 EVERYTHING THAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT ME IS TOTALLY FALSE. THE
10 THING THAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS HOW YOU GUYS ARE ALLOWING
11 THEM TO CONTINUE TO GET AWAY WITH IT. THEY'RE HURTING MY KIDS
12 MORE AND MORE EACH DAY WHEN THEY DON'T SEE THEIR MOM AND THEIR
13 MOM IS STEADILY BEING TERRORIST THREATENED. MY KIDS ARE
14 TERRIFIED. THEY'RE 5 AND 9. THEY GO TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY
15 WONDERING WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THEIR MOTHER. IS SHE DEAD? IS
16 SHE GOING TO DIE? THEY TOLD ME THEY'RE SCARED. IS ANYONE
17 LISTENING TO MY CHILDREN? THEY KNEW HE WAS SET UP. THEY WANT
18 ME TO HURT BECAUSE THE FATHERS, WHOEVER THEY'RE INVOLVED WITH
19 AS WELL, THEY DON'T WANT TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR KIDS. IT'S THE
20 SAME THING MY DAD DID TO ME AND MY BROTHER. IT'S THE SAME
21 VICIOUS CYCLE THAT'S BEEN GOING ON YEARS AND YEARS AND YEARS.
22 THESE DADDIES DO NOT WANT TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR KIDS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. AGAIN, IT'S A COURT
25 CASE. AND IF YOU'RE PRESENTING YOUR ISSUES TO THE JUDGE, IT'S



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1 NOT SOMETHING WE CAN STOP OR INTERVENE. BUT IF YOU'LL TALK TO
2 THE DEPARTMENT BACK THERE, I KNOW THERE'S SORT OF AN OVERLOAD
3 RIGHT THERE, BUT IF YOU GO BACK AND VISIT WITH THAT GENTLEMAN,
4 MAYBE HE CAN AT LEAST CHECK YOUR CASE OUT AND SEE WHERE WE'RE
5 AT. OKAY? SIR? DO YOU WANT TO RAISE YOUR HAND THERE? RIGHT
6 THERE. WE GOT A FULL ENTOURAGE TODAY. MICHAEL PEREZ, ARNOLD
7 SACHS AND PATRICK O'ROURKE, IF YOU'LL JOIN US UP HERE, PLEASE.
8 GO AHEAD, DANIEL.

9

10 **DANIEL GARCIA:** YES. MY NAME IS DANIEL GARCIA. AND I'M A SYSTEM
11 3 ADVOCATE FROM D.C.A. I'M IN SAN GABRIEL INDEPENDENT LIVING
12 CENTER. I JUST WANT TO MAKE AWARENESS OF THE ISSUES
13 [INAUDIBLE] MOLINA IS DISAPPOINTED IN THE GOLD LINE. AND I CAN
14 SEE WHY. BUT I'M MORE THAN HAPPY ABOUT THE ISSUE THAT HAS
15 NEVER SHOWN UP IN AN INTERVIEW WITH HER IS THE ISSUE THAT
16 [INAUDIBLE] IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE TIMES ON MONDAY,
17 SUPERVISOR SAID SHE DOESN'T THINK THERE ISN'T ENOUGH FENCING
18 TO PREVENT PEOPLE FROM CROSSING THE TRACKS, PARTICULARLY
19 CHILDREN IN A NEARBY SCHOOL. IS THESE CHILDREN ALL WE ARE
20 CONCERN. YES. THESE CHILDREN ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE OF OUR
21 SOCIETY. BUT REMEMBER THERE ARE OTHER PEOPLE, THERE ARE OTHER
22 VULNERABLE. PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ARE VULNERABLE. SENIOR
23 CITIZENS ARE VULNERABLE, TOO. SO THERE'S WIDE RANGE OF PEOPLE
24 WHO ARE VULNERABLE HERE BECAUSE [INAUDIBLE] SO I JUST WANT TO
25 BE AWARE THAT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT IT IS NOT JUST



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1 CHILDREN, BUT ALSO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND SENIORS WE ARE
2 TALKING HERE. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I WANT -- I JUST WANT TO
3 ADD TO MY COMMENTS HERE ANOTHER ISSUE THAT I HAVE BEEN
4 INVOLVED WITH MY ADVOCACY GROUP THAT PEOPLE LIKE MICHAEL PEREZ
5 HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH ISSUES AND WE WANT TO BRING AWARENESS
6 THAT THIS ISSUE, IT HAS NOT BEEN ALLOWED THEM TO EXPRESS
7 THEMSELVES. SO I'M BRINGING THEM TO YOU SO YOU CAN HAVE A
8 BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE THEY CAME FROM. THANK YOU VERY
9 MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MICHAEL PEREZ, IF YOU'RE NOT HERE, THEN
12 PATRICK O'ROURKE? OKAY. ARNOLD'S STILL HERE. BONIFACE MADU? GO
13 AHEAD WHOEVER'S NEXT, PLEASE. GO AHEAD. MR. O'ROURKE.

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15 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** ALL RIGHT. MY NAME IS PATRICK ARTHUR
16 O'ROURKE, AS I SAID EARLIER. I'M FROM SANTA MONICA, IN ZEV
17 YAROSLAVSKY'S OFFICE. HE'S REFERRED ME SEVERAL TIMES TO
18 D.C.F.S. AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH ON ALLEGATIONS OF
19 ABUSE OF AUTHORITY, FALSE ALLEGATIONS, CHILD IMPRISONMENT
20 AMONG OTHER ABUSES BY THE DEPARTMENT. I WON'T GO INTO THAT
21 AGAIN SINCE MR. YAROSLAVSKY IS VERY MUCH AWARE OF THIS. I'VE
22 CONTACTED HIS OFFICE. BUT AS YOU'VE SEEN TODAY, THERE IS
23 GROWING CONSENSUS THAT D.C.F.S. IS BROKEN. IN 2000, FLORIDA
24 WAS SUED FOR HALF A BILLION DOLLARS. THE ENTIRE STATE. I
25 BELIEVE THIS CITY IS MORE VULNERABLE THAN FLORIDA. THIS COUNTY



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1 ALONE COULD END UP PAYING 3/4 OF A BILLION DOLLARS IN DAMAGES
2 TO CLAIMS OF CHILD ABUSE. THERE WAS AN ALLEGATION OF CHILD
3 ABUSE FOR A LONG TIME, BUT I GOT HERE A NEWS SERVICE, E.G.P.,
4 TORTURE LEGEND, SOUTH L.A. ABUSE. I OF COURSE TOLD MARK
5 RIDLEY-THOMAS DURING ONE OF THE OTHER MEETINGS THAT A CHILD
6 WAS CIRCUMCISED BY D.C.F.S. THAT'S CONSIDERED TORTURE. A FIVE-
7 YEAR OLD BOY IN THE FOSTER CARE IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD AS MY
8 DAUGHTER. THAT'S CONSIDERED CHILD ABUSE IN THIS COUNTY. THAT
9 WAS ORDERED BY D.C.F.S. THERE WERE MANY, MANY, YOU KNOW,
10 ALLEGATIONS HERE. I HAVE A WHOLE FILE HERE WHICH I'M WILLING
11 TO GO AHEAD AND ALLOW THE CITY TO GO AHEAD AND COPY. BUT IT
12 SHOWS FOR YEARS THAT D.C.F.S. HAS IGNORED ALLEGATIONS OF CHILD
13 ABUSE. BUT LET ME SUM UP WITH THAT 660 CHILDREN DIED LAST
14 YEAR. I MEAN, WITHIN ONE OF THE TIMELINES, OKAY? AND IN CHILD
15 SERVICES. OVER 120 OF THOSE WERE HOMICIDE VICTIMS. NOW, UNLESS
16 IF THIS COUNTY EDUCATES ITS -- BASICALLY, YOU HAVE THE POWER
17 AND AUTHORITY TO DO SOMETHING. YOU HAVE THE POWER AND
18 AUTHORITY TO INITIATE AN INVESTIGATION BY AUTHORITIES
19 EMPOWERED TO LOOK AT THESE CASES. YOU HAVE HEARD FOR YEARS
20 THAT THESE CASES EXIST. YOU HAVE FIRED WORKERS, RECOMMENDED
21 FIRING WORKERS FOR MISUSING FUNDS. IN THIS TIME OF FISCAL
22 CRISIS, WE DON'T NEED MORE CHILDREN ON D.C.F.S. AND TAKEN AWAY
23 FROM THEIR FAMILIES. WE NEED MORE CHILDREN PUT BACK WITH THEIR
24 FAMILIES. AND THE MONIES SPENT FOR THOSE FAMILIES.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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3 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** BY THE WAY -- I NEVER GOT A CALL BACK FROM
4 THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH WHICH YOU REFERRED ME TO.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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8 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** THAT WAS A MONTH AGO.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE SOMEONE HERE FROM MENTAL HEALTH
11 WHO CAN VISIT WITH THIS GENTLEMAN? THANK YOU. SOMEBODY WILL
12 FIND YOU OUT THERE. ALL RIGHT. I ASK BOBBY COOPER? IS BOBBY
13 COOPER HERE? JOIN US UP HERE, PLEASE. ALL RIGHT. MR. SACHS.

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15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, SIR. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EDWARD MERIDA.

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19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU AGAIN. I'D LIKE THE TO CONGRATULATE
20 THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT? YOU WANT TO CONGRATULATE US? MUST
23 BE SARCASM. SHOCK, SHOCK.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** DON'T GIVE UP YOUR DAY JOB. FOR HELPING TO PASS
2 THE 2009 M.T.A. LONG-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN THIS PAST, WHAT WAS IT
3 LAST THURSDAY? BUT I DO HAVE A COUPLE OF CONCERNS REGARDING
4 THE PASSAGE OF THE 2009 LONG-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN. THE FIRST
5 CONCERN WAS GOING BACK TO LAST OCTOBER, WHEN THE M.T.A. BOARD
6 CONSIDERED THE 2008 LONG-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN AND DECIDED TO
7 TABLE IT UNTIL THEY GOT THE RESULTS OF THE MEASURE R PROP THAT
8 WAS ON THE UPCOMING NOVEMBER ELECTION. TO THE BEST OF MY
9 KNOWLEDGE, THE 2008 LODGE-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN HAS STILL BEEN
10 TABLED. BUT AT THE SAME TIME THEY WERE TABLING THE 2008 LONG-
11 RANGE TRANSIT PLAN, THEY WERE AMENDING THE 2003, I BELIEVE,
12 LONG-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN TO INCLUDE THE ACTIONS ALLOWING FOR
13 THE CAR POOL LANES AND THE HIGH OCCUPANCY LANE TOLL ROAD ON
14 BOTH THE 110 FREEWAY AND THE 10 FREEWAY. SO HELP TO CLARIFY
15 THE SITUATION. YOU HAVE A 2002 OR 2003 LONG-RANGE TRANSIT
16 PLAN. YOU HAVE A 2008 LONG-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN THAT IS EITHER
17 PENDING OR BEEN TABLED OR NOT BEEN VOTED ON OR VOTED ON. AND
18 YOU HAVE A 2009 LONG-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN. AND YOU HAVE A POT OF
19 GOLD MONEY POURING INTO THE COUNTY, WHETHER IT IS EQUIVALENT
20 TO THE FUNDS THAT YOU SUSPECT OR BECAUSE OF RECESSION MAY NOT
21 MEET THE NEEDS. JUST HELP TO CLARIFY FOR THE PUBLIC WHICH
22 TRANSIT PLAN YOU'RE ACTUALLY WORKING ON. IN ANOTHER VEIN, LAST
23 WEEK I ALSO BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION A QUESTION FOR THE COUNTY
24 ATTORNEY TO LOOK INTO REGARDING 20 EXTRA EMPLOYEES THAT WERE
25 STATIONED AT THE COLISEUM JUST COMING TO THE LIGHT. AND I



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1 BELIEVE, MR. PRESIDENT, YOU MENTIONED THAT AS A MEMBER OF THE
2 COLISEUM BOARD, THE COLISEUM PAYS FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL OFFICERS
3 BUT DOESN'T PAY FOR THOSE 20 PEOPLE. BUT ACCORDING TO THIS
4 NOTIFICATION, FILE NO. 940600 S480 -- 48 THAT WAS ACTED ON IN
5 1995, THE COLISEUM WAS SUPPOSED TO GET FREE TRAFFIC CONTROL
6 OFFICERS. AS A MATTER OF FACT, IN THIS LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER
7 22ND, 2009, IT STATES "DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF
8 TRANSPORTATION".

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP THERE.

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12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST LET ME.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL YOU SAID THIS LAST WEEK.

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** BUT YOU MENTION THAT HAD THE COLISEUM PAYS FOR
17 TRAFFIC CONTROL OFFICERS. BUT ACCORDING TO THIS LETTER THEY'RE
18 SUPPOSED TO GET FREE SERVICE.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WANT FREE SERVICE.

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22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NO, NO, NO.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, THAT'S GOOD.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** BUT THE LETTER SAYS DIFFERENT. EVERYBODY WANTS
2 FREE.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE ALWAYS WANT FREE.

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6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** BUT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO HAVE FREE. THAT'S THE
7 QUESTION.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I KNOW. AND WE GOT THE LETTER THAT
10 SAYS WE'RE GOING TO PAY AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE FIGHTING. MR.
11 MADU?

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13 **BONIFACE MADU:** SIR.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

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17 **BONIFACE MADU:** I JUST WANT TO STATE AN ISSUE THAT I BELIEVE
18 WAS TAKEN OUT OF CONTEXT AND I HAVE SUFFERED FOR THAT
19 MISUNDERSTANDING, WHICH OTHERWISE WOULD NOT BE SO. ON THE
20 FOURTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2008, ABOUT 5:30 A.M., I WAS ON MY WAY TO
21 WORK AND I DROVE THROUGH A LONG STRETCH OF DRIVEWAY TO GET TO
22 THE ROAD. AND WHILE I WAS DRIVING, I SAW MOVEMENTS TOWARDS THE
23 END OF THE DRIVEWAY AND WAS NOT SURE WHO WAS THERE. I WAS
24 APPREHENSIVE BY THAT HOUR BECAUSE I DID NOT EXPECT TO SEE
25 ANYBODY AT THAT END AT THAT HOUR. SO I TRIED TO DRIVE



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1 DEFENSIVELY TO CROSS AND TO GET ONTO THE ROAD FOR MY SAFETY.
2 AND WHILE I DID THAT, AS SOON AS I PASSED, THERE WAS A NOISE
3 AND A VOICE BEHIND ME: "STOP! POLICE." I DID STOP. I CAME OUT.
4 AND HE SAID "LIE DOWN WITH YOUR STOMACH ON THE GROUND." AND I
5 DID. HE SAID "YOU WERE ABOUT TO KILL US BECAUSE WE ARE THE
6 POLICE." AND WHILE I WAS LYING ON THE GROUND, I TOLD HIM I DID
7 NOT KNOW THEY WERE THE POLICE. I HAVE NO INTENTIONS TO KILL
8 ANYBODY OR THE POLICE. I AM ON MY WAY TO WORK. HE WALKED UP TO
9 ME, TWISTED MY LEFT ARM A COUPLE TIMES AND BROKE MY ARM.
10 BUNDLED ME IN CHAINS AND SENT ME TO THE GARDENA POLICE
11 STATION. WHILE I WAS THERE, I WAS FEELING VERY HOT WITH MY
12 HAND BROKEN. I COMPLAINED AND I WAS TAKEN TO THE GARDENA
13 GENERAL HOSPITAL FOR ATTENTION. AND RIGHT THERE AT THE
14 HOSPITAL IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT MY ARM HAD BEEN BROKEN. AND IT
15 WAS PUT IN CAST. THEREAFTER THE TREATMENT, I WAS SENT BACK TO
16 THE POLICE STATION AND I WAS TAKEN TO THE COUNTY JAIL AND I
17 WAS LOCKED UP THERE BECAUSE I WAS BOOKED FOR MURDER. NOBODY
18 WAS KILLED. NOBODY WAS HURT. NOBODY WAS INJURED. AND I WAS
19 LOCKED THERE FOR SEVEN WEEKS WITHOUT BAIL. WHEN FINALLY I GOT
20 A LAWYER THAT WAS ABLE TO GET ME OUT, THE LAWYER SAID I SHOULD
21 PLEAD GUILTY. I HAD NO MONEY TO DEFEND MYSELF. AND WHEN I
22 FOUND OUT THAT HE HAD EXHAUSTED THE LITTLE MONEY I HAD, I HAD
23 TO GO BY HIS ORDERS TO PLEAD GUILTY. AND I LOOKED AT MYSELF
24 PLEADING GUILTY TO SOMETHING I KNOW I DID NOT DO. I DID NOT
25 INTEND TO DO. AND THAT HAS HURT MY RECORDS. I HAVE A DOCTORAL



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1 DEGREE IN ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT. I AM UNABLE TO FIND
2 EMPLOYMENT. I AM COMPLETELY HANDICAPPED. I WANT SOMEBODY TO
3 LOOK AT THIS CASE. I ONLY WANT THIS THING TO BE REMOVED FROM
4 MY RECORD.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SIR.

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8 **BONIFACE MADU:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME'S UP. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY,
11 WAS THIS THE L.A.P.D. OR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
12 DEPARTMENT?

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14 **BONIFACE MADU:** SIR, IT WAS IN GARDENA COUNTY. THIS INCIDENT
15 HAPPENED IN GARDENA.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GARDENA HAS THEIR OWN POLICE DEPARTMENT.
18 AND SO YOU NEED TO, WITH THE SAME CASE YOU JUST APPEALED TO US
19 YOU NEED TO GO TO THE GARDENA CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND ASK
20 THEIR CITY COUNCIL TO LOOK INTO YOUR ISSUES, OKAY? THANK YOU.

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22 **BONIFACE MADU:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. OSCAR JOHNSON? WHOEVER'S
2 NEXT, FEEL FREE TO GO. OKAY? BOBBY COOPER? OKAY, BOBBY. IT'S
3 ALL YOURS.

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5 **BOBBY COOPER:** MY NAME IS BOBBY COOPER. I'M HERE TODAY
6 REPRESENTING MYSELF AND MY MOTHER. I WAS HERE LAST WEEK. WHAT
7 I'M HERE ABOUT IS THE ILLEGALITIES WITH HOW YOU CAN HAVE A
8 SOCIAL WORKER COME IN SOMEBODY'S HOUSE AND MAKE AN ALLEGATION
9 AND DESTROY THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF PROPERTY, CAR GONE,
10 HOUSE, EVERYTHING WITH A SOCIAL WORKER MAKING AN ALLEGATION.
11 AND THE ALLEGATION GOES ALL THE WAY TO THE STATE ATTORNEY
12 GENERAL'S OFFICE UP IN SAN FRANCISCO TO THE SOCIAL SERVICE
13 OFFICE. THIS IS MY MOTHER. AND THIS IS MY MOTHER AND I A MONTH
14 AND A HALF AGO. WE HAD A FULL HOUSE. WE HAD A NICE CAR. MY
15 FATHER DIED AND LEFT ME \$10,000, 5,000 IN RINGS AND ANOTHER
16 5,000 IN GOLD. I NO LONGER HAVE THAT. BECAUSE THAT I HAD TO
17 SPEND IT ON TRYING TO STAY IN HOUSING SINCE I HAD BEEN
18 ILLEGALLY EVICTED AND TO PROTECT MY CIVIL RIGHTS IN THIS
19 MATTER. THIS IS A CELL PHONE I NEVER COULD GET OUT ON THE
20 PHONE BECAUSE THESE PEOPLE HAD THE PHONES BLOCKED. THIS IS ALL
21 THE CELL PHONES THAT I HAD TO HAVE. PLUS TIMES WARNER PHONES
22 THAT WERE COMPROMISED THROUGH THESE PEOPLE. THIS IS ME THREE
23 YEARS AGO. THIS IS WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT. I HAD AN ACCIDENT, A
24 HEAD INJURY AND A BACK INJURY IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY, YOU KNOW.
25 AND IT'S IN LITIGATION AND THEY HAVE BEEN HARASSING ME FROM



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1 THE LITIGATION THAT'S BEEN IN LOS ANGELES ALL THE WAY TO
2 RIVERSIDE AND BACK. NOW, I'VE BEEN DISCRIMINATED IN HOUSING
3 FOR THE PAST 15 YEARS. THAT'S THE HONEST TO GOD TRUTH. AT
4 PRESENT, THEY JUST DESTROYED A 27-YEAR MY MOTHER HAD SECTION
5 8. OUR INCOMES COMBINED TOGETHER WAS ABLE TO HOLD THAT
6 SITUATION TOGETHER THAT WOULD PAY FOR THE INSURANCE ON THE
7 CAR, THE INSURANCE ON HER AND EXTRA STUFF THAT SHE WANT. I
8 OPENED UP HER ACCOUNT, PUT \$1,000 IN HER ACCOUNT AND GAVE HER
9 A CREDIT CARD. THE SOCIAL WORKER CAME OVER, TOOK THE DRIVER'S
10 LICENSE, CREDIT CARD. TOOK ME OFF THE ACCOUNT. THEN THEY
11 BOUNCE \$400 WORTH OF CHECKS, THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF
12 CLAIMS MONEY THE SOCIAL WORKER ACCEPTED. I BELIEVE THAT SHE
13 COMPROMISED HER POSITION AND ALLOWED THESE PEOPLE, SHERIFFS TO
14 WIRE MY HOUSE. MY HOUSE WAS AUDIO AND VIDEOTAPED FOR A YEAR.
15 EVERYTHING THAT I SAID IN MY HOUSE WAS HEARD. THEY'VE STOLEN
16 EVERYTHING. MY BANK ACCOUNTS. FOUR OF THEM, RIFLED NOT A DIME
17 LEFT IN THEM. THE INSURANCE CLAIMS. I GOT TO GO THROUGH THE--
18 ACTUALLY THE INSURANCE COMPANY, THEIR SYSTEM TO FIND OUT HOW
19 MUCH MONEY IS MISSING. THERE IS \$90,000 THAT THE LAWYER TOLD
20 ME, COULD BE ABOUT \$90,000 THAT MY FATHER LEFT TO US IN HIS
21 ESTATE IN OHIO. THEY TOOK ALL THE PAPERS. ALL THE LEGAL
22 DOCUMENTS IN MY APARTMENT, EVERYTHING IN MY APARTMENT. FIVE
23 COMPUTERS, TWO LAPTOPS. EVERYTHING. THREE PRINTERS. FAX
24 MACHINES. ALL CONFISCATED BY THE POLICE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BOBBY, YOUR TIME IS UP. TWO THINGS. ONE
2 YOUR ISSUE SECTION 8 HOUSING OR IS YOUR ISSUE THE STOLEN
3 PROPERTY?

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5 **BOBBY COOPER:** MY ISSUE IS HOUSING AT PRESENT. I DON'T HAVE
6 ANYWHERE TO STAY.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'VE HAVE SOMEBODY-- IS SOMEBODY HERE
9 FROM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO VISIT WITH THIS INDIVIDUAL? AS
10 FAR AS THE ANY CRIMINAL ACTIVITY YOU NEED TO GO TO THE
11 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WITH THOSE CHARGES.

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13 **BOBBY COOPER:** I UNDERSTAND THAT, SIR.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE YOU BROUGHT THAT TO OUR
16 ATTENTION BEFORE.

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18 **BOBBY COOPER:** AND THAT WILL BE GOING TO THE DISTRICT
19 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS SOMEBODY HERE FROM C.D.C. THAT CAN
22 VISIT WITH THIS GENTLEMAN?

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24 **BOBBY COOPER:** I'D APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. PACIES GOFFNEY? WHO IS NEXT?

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3 **EDWARD MERIDA:** MY NAME IS EDWARD. I'M REVEREND DR. EDWARD

4 MERIDA. I WAS HERE AT YOUR TUESDAY'S MEETING LAST WEEK. I'M ON

5 WELFARE. AND I SAID I WAS HAVING A PROBLEM. AT THE END OF MY

6 STATEMENT, I READ FROM A PREPARED STATEMENT, I WAS TOLD TO SEE

7 A MARIBEL TREJO. AND I WAS GIVEN A TELEPHONE NUMBER. THIS WAS

8 TUESDAY. I WAS TOLD TO CONTACT MISS TREJO THURSDAY AT 3:00.

9 WHEN I WENT TO CALL THE NUMBER, I NOTICED THAT THERE ARE NOT

10 ENOUGH TELEPHONE NUMBERS HERE. THE NUMBER THAT SHE GAVE ME IS

11 562-908-607. ONE NUMBER IS MISSING, I GUESS.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE NEED TO GET YOU ONE MORE NUMBER. DID

14 YOU TALK TO SOMEBODY FROM DEPARTMENT AND CHILDREN FAMILY

15 SERVICES?

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17 **EDWARD MARIDA:** NO. I GET WELFARE.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** FROM D.C.F.S. THIS LADY OUT HERE WILL

20 GET YOU ONE MORE NUMBER TO CALL.

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22 **EDWARD MARIDA:** THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE IT.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OSCAR JOHNSON AND THEN MR.

25 GOFFNEY.



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2 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** YES, MY NAME IS OSCAR JOHNSON. I SPEAK FOR THE

3 OPPRESSED AND I SPEAK FOR CULTURE CHANGE. I'D LIKE TO THANK

4 GOD FOR PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA AND HIS WIFE, MICHELLE OBAMA.

5 FOR ONCE WE ARE GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. AND IF ANY

6 ELECTED OFFICIALS DO NOT SUPPORT PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA HE

7 SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM HIS POSITION IMMEDIATELY. WE NEED TO

8 END THE FALSE ABUSE IN THE NURSING CARE. WE NEED TO END THE

9 ABUSE WITH THE FOSTER CARE. WE SHOULD END THE GENOCIDE OF THE

10 AFRICAN-AMERICAN MEN AND WOMEN. WE NEED JOBS, NOT

11 ENTERTAINMENT. WE NEED THE MORAL DIRECTION. WE NEED MORAL

12 RESPONSIBILITY. WE NEED TO MEET MORAL OBLIGATION. WE NEED JOBS

13 SO WE CAN MARRY FEMALES. TOO MANY CHILDREN BORNE OUT OF

14 WEDLOCK TODAY. WE NEED TO STOP POLICE BRUTALITY. STOP THE

15 SHERIFF FROM SHOOTING UNARMED PEOPLE. STOP THE POLICE FROM

16 SHOOTING UNARMED PEOPLE WITHOUT ANY TRIAL OR ANY ACTION. THEY

17 SHOULD BE EXECUTED IMMEDIATELY. EYE FOR AN EYE, TOOTH FOR A

18 TOOTH, I THINK PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA WOULD GO ALONG WITH

19 THAT. WE NEED TO END THE HEALTHCARE SITUATION. WE'RE IN A

20 HEALTHCARE SITUATION STARTED BY PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT

21 AND PATRICK JOSEPH KENNEDY HE SPOKE AGAINST HEALTHCARE AND

22 PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT. HE TOLD PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AS LONG AS

23 THE ANTIFASCIST JEWS CONTROL THE PRESS OF AMERICA, HEALTHCARE

24 WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT. AND HEALTHCARE HAS NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL

25 SINCE IT STARTED. AND PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA SAID HE WANTS TO



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1 CHANGE IT. HE SAYS HE WANTS TO BE THE SAVIOR OF THE
2 HEALTHCARE. I HOPE HIM WELL. PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS IN OUR
3 PLAN. WE THANK GOD AGAIN FOR PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. WE NEED
4 BETTER BUSES. WE NEED BETTER BUS SERVICE AND CLEANER BUSES. WE
5 NEED TO GET THE DRUGS OFF THE STREETS OF LOS ANGELES. WE NEED
6 TO CLEAN UP SKID ROW. GET THE DRUGS OFF THE STREETS ON SKID
7 ROW. WE NEED A FAIR GOVERNMENT AND WE NEED A JUST GOVERNMENT.
8 WE NEED TO -- AND PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS ON THE B.E.T.,
9 BLACK ENTERTAINMENT TELEVISION, HE SAID ALL IMMIGRANTS THAT
10 HAVE BUSINESS IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY I'M GOING TO GET THEM OUT
11 OF THE BLACK COMMUNITY AND I'M GOING TO GIVE THE BLACK
12 COMMUNITY BACK TO THE BLACK PEOPLE. HE WAS ANSWERING THE
13 PERSONAL QUESTION, "ARE YOU BLACK ENOUGH OR NOT?" I THINK HE
14 IS BLACK ENOUGH. AND WHEN YOU'RE A BUSINESS, I THINK HE WAS
15 MEANING UNIVERSAL BUSINESS. IF YOU'RE NOT BLACK, YOU HAVE NO
16 BUSINESS DOING NOTHING IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY. LAW
17 ENFORCEMENT, STORES, WAL-MARTS, MCDONALD'S ALL THAT STUFF. IF
18 NOT BLACK BUSINESS, DON'T BE THERE. THANKS. YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO
19 LAUGH FIRST BUT I SUPPOSE LAUGH LAST BUT IT'S NOT FUNNY.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, SIR, NO ONE WAS LAUGHING UP
22 HERE. MR. GOFFNEY.

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24 **PACIES GOFFNEY:** GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. MY NAME IS
25 PACIES GOFFNEY, EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES. MR. ANTONOVICH, I GOT A



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1 LETTER FROM YOUR OFFICE THAT MY DOCUMENTS WERE FORWARDED OVER
2 TO THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICE AND TO MR. FUJIOKA. AND I JUST
3 WANTED TO READ A LETTER HERE. I GOT A LETTER FROM A GIRL FROM
4 PRISON WHO HAS BEEN DOWN FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. SHE'S DOING
5 LIFE. AND IN IT, IT STATES "I WAS GIVEN YOUR LETTER BY A
6 SPONSOR WHO FELT AND FEELS THAT YOUR MISSION STATEMENT AND
7 PURPOSE IS EXPRESSLY DESIGNED TO FIT THE CHARACTER AND LADY I
8 AM STRIVING TO BE. THIS IS A LETTER FROM A LADY WHO IS DOING
9 LIFE IN PRISON. I HAVE A VERY GOOD STRONG BASE WITH THESE
10 PEOPLE IN INSTITUTIONS THAT BELIEVE IN WHAT I STAND FOR AND
11 LATELY I'VE BEEN DOING A LOT OF WORK. I WISH I COULD BE THERE
12 EVERY DAY. I KNOW YOU GUYS PROBABLY DON'T. BUT I'M VERY BUSY
13 OUT THERE TRYING TO CREATE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PEOPLE OUT
14 HERE WHO COME OUT OF JAIL AND WHO COME FROM THE MILITARY. NOW
15 WE'RE LAUNCHING A PACKAGE COMPANY THAT'S GOING TO SUPPLY THE
16 PEOPLE WHO ARE OUT INSIDE THE, DEPLOYED ALL OVER THE WORLD
17 WITH A PACKAGE COMPANY. WE'RE GOING TO TAKE 10 PERCENT OF THAT
18 MONEY AND WE'RE GOING TO START BONDING CONTRACTS. I'M HERE
19 TODAY BECAUSE IT STATES INSIDE THE NEWSPAPER THAT SPENDING IS
20 UP. SO THIS WOULD BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR MONEY TO ACTUALLY
21 GROW SO WE COULD START DOING THE CONTRACTS. I ACTUALLY STARTED
22 WORKING WITH THE SMALL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION HERE IN THE CITY
23 AND THEY'RE WILLING TO PUT UP COLLATERAL IF I COULD GET SOME
24 KIND OF CONTRACT GOING WITH YOU GUYS IN ORDINARY TO START MY
25 PROGRAM IN THE CITY IF IT'S WORKING WITH PROBATION OR HOWEVER



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1 IT IS, IT WOULD HELP ME BOND FOR THE COLLATERAL TO CREATE
2 THESE JOBS FOR INDIVIDUALS. BASICALLY THAT'S ALL I JUST CAME
3 HERE TO SAY. AND I HOPE THAT THE STUFF THAT WAS SENT TO ME
4 WASN'T JUST TO BE ENTERTAINING BECAUSE I'M SERIOUS ABOUT MY
5 JOB. SO I CALLED OVER TO THE GENTLEMAN THAT'S OVER HERE AND I
6 DIDN'T GET A RESPONSE. I ALSO CALLED THE PROBATION GENTLEMEN.
7 I KNOW NOBODY RESPONDED. RIGHT NOW, I AM BUSY, TOO. A LOT OF
8 STUFF'S GOING ON AND PEOPLE ARE UNHAPPY. SO AT THE END OF THE
9 DAY I KNOW THERE'S A LOT OF DUE DILIGENCE THAT'S GOING TO BE
10 NEEDED TO GET TO ME. BUT I'M HERE AND I JUST HOPE THAT
11 SOMEBODY CONTACTS ME. THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IF I UNDERSTAND IT, THERE IS
14 NO CLOSED SESSION?

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO YOU DON'T NEED TO READ US ADJOURNED,
19 DO WE?

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. YOU DO.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BARRING ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION, THIS
24 MEETING IS ADJOURNED.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO MOVED.

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